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Better health care, law and order, in Tory policy plans

Younger hits out at Labour over defence

Morale booster: Mr Norman Fowler holding up the list of the Government's £3 billion hospital-building programme before conference delegates. (Photograph: Tim Bishop)

● Mr George Younger, confirming defence as a central election issue, said only the Tories could preserve Nato

● Increased penalties for criminals and more support for victims of crime were announced by Mr Douglas Hurd

● The Government is to spend £15 million on improving protection for passengers on the Underground

● Mrs Edwina Currie faced unprecedented booing at the Tory conference for her remarks about the Northern diet

By Philip Webster, Chief Political Correspondent

The Conservatives maintained the momentum of their conference yesterday by announcing fresh initiatives on law and order, the health service and inner cities and responding to the Labour Party's challenge to make defence the central issue of the next general election.

On the second day of the Bournemouth conference ministers kept up a barrage of policy pronouncements and attacks on Labour designed to set out the battle lines for the election.

Mr Douglas Hurd, the Home Secretary, disclosed plans to seize the assets of major criminals, to introduce the use of video screens to spare child abuse victims the ordeal of court appearances and to improve compensation for the victims of crime.

Mr John Moore, Secretary of State for Transport, announced a £15 million plan to protect passengers on the London Underground against muggers and other violent criminals.

Courts will be obliged to make compensation orders against offenders and will have the right to direct the proceeds from the sale of forfeited goods to compensation for their victims.

Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, announced a national campaign to reduce hospital waiting lists and a £3 billion hospital building programme. There will be additional revenue for more heart by-pass, hip replacement and eye operations for the elderly, better facilities for mentally handicapped children and more bone marrow transplant operations along with an intensification of the fight against cervical cancer.

Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Defence, delighted Cabinet colleagues and emerged as a new party favourite after a speech in which he said that the Conservatives were now the only force that stood between Britain and the disaster of a nuclear war.

Mr Neil Kinnock's decision to make Labour's non-nuclear defence policy the centrepiece of its appeal to the electorate has pleased the Cabinet and been one of the main factors in the mood of unity at the conference.

Mr Younger said it was the Conservative destiny to en-

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Race for the Games

Next week the International Olympic Committee meets to decide the venue for the 1992 games. What chance for Birmingham? David Miller reports

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Portfolio Gold

● The £4,000 prize in The Times Portfolio Gold competition was won outright yesterday by Ms Angela Falshaw, of Long Preston, North Yorks. Details, page 3.

● There is another £4,000 to be won today. Portfolio list, page 27; rules and how to play, information service, page 20.

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Glass merger

Waterford Glass, the world's largest and most successful producers of hand-crafted crystal, are taking over Wedgwood, the fine bone china group, in a £252 million merger Pages 21, 23

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Two-thirds of people who set up in business under the Government's Enterprise Allowance Scheme were still trading two years later, an official survey showed. The cost of each job created was a modest £1,800 Page 21

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Mr Robert Holmes à Court, the Australian entrepreneur, raised his stake in Standard Chartered Bank as part of two City deals worth £70 million Page 21

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Cup go-ahead

Luton Town will be allowed to play in this season's FA Cup, despite their ban on away fans which has ruled them out of taking part in the Littlewoods Cup, organized by the Football League Page 40

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£15m set aside to tackle Tube crime

By Philip Webster, Chief Political Correspondent

The Government yesterday announced a £15 million plan to improve protection for passengers on the London Underground against muggers and other violent criminals.

Station platforms, subways and escalator shafts are to be fitted with radio cabling to enable staff and transport police below ground to make contact immediately in emergencies with station superintendents, police control headquarters, and the fire service.

Concealed parts of station platforms are to be closed off, more closed circuit surveillance equipment will be brought in and, in an experimental scheme, stations with bad records of violence are to get passenger alarm "panic buttons" to enable people to call staff if they feel in danger.

The plan was unveiled by Mr John Moore, Secretary of State for Transport, at the Conservative Party Conference in Bournemouth.

Mr Moore said afterwards: "Fears and worry about crime are deterring some people from using the Underground." The money is being made available to London Regional Transport over the next three years for special measures.

The move comes after the establishment by the Prime Minister last January of a special working party comprising the Home Office, Metropolitan Police and LRT, to inquire into crimes on the Underground.

Its report is to be published soon; the main finding is understood to be that radio communications offer scope for improvement.

There were 1,600 crimes involving violence on the Underground last year; the total of notifiable crimes was 15,000. Latest figures show that violence has been falling. Up to August there had been a 16.3 per cent fall compared with the same period last year.

LRT said yesterday: "We welcome the Government's commitment to a safe Underground. Crime on the system is low in statistical terms but there is no doubt that it is high in passengers' perceptions." According to LRT there is one violent incident for every half a million passenger journeys.

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Fowler to cut health waiting list

By Richard Evans
Political Correspondent

A nationwide crackdown on lengthy hospital waiting lists and a £3 billion hospital building programme were unveiled yesterday by Mr. Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services.

He promised improved treatment for the elderly with substantially more hip replacement, heart by-pass, and eye operations by the end of the decade.

The Conservative party conference in Bournemouth was also told there would be more bone marrow transplant operations for children, better facilities for mentally handicapped youngsters and a stepping up of the fight against cervical cancer.

His upbeat message on one of the key political issues in the run up to the next general election appeared to satisfy many of the doubters within Conservative ranks.

What he did not tell conference was that there will be no extra cash for his package of measures.

The misgivings within the Conservative party about the Government's National Health Service record surfaced repeatedly during the debate with complaints about hospital waiting lists and lack of cash for day-to-day running of hospitals.

More than 600,000 are now waiting for hospital treatment.

Mr Fowler accepted too many people were still waiting too long and said: "That is why I have asked every health authority to report to me on their local position: to set out where and why patients are waiting most: and to say how that position can be improved".

Print union rejects Wapping offer

By Tim Jones

The main print union involved in the Wapping dispute yesterday rejected the final offer by News International which included compensation of £58 million.

Mr Rupert Murdoch, chairman of the company, said there would be no other offer to the union, which represents 4,000 former employees of the company who went on strike eight months ago and were dismissed.

Sogat '82, the biggest union involved, turned down the offer by 2,372 votes to 960 with 17 spoilt papers, a majority of 1,412.

The result of the ballot was greeted with a huge cheer by 850 members of the National Graphical Association who were meeting in London to decide their response to the offer.

Mr Murdoch said: "We are not surprised but we are disappointed of course at this result."

He said the company had made it clear that it had no confidence in the way Sogat had conducted its ballot.

Stressing that there would be no new negotiations, Mr Murdoch said the company was under no legal, moral or business obligation to hold further talks.

He said: "These people should have realized that we mean what we say. I am sorry there has been this discord but most of them now have other jobs and I would advise the rest to get jobs. That, alas, is the end of the matter."

He added: "For 50 years they have won every single battle and they can't imagine they should lose one or come to an honourable agreement." Mr Murdoch criticized the way the ballot had been conducted at branch level and said there had been cases of intimidation.

Miss Brenda Dean, Sogat's general secretary said: "This rejection has shown that Sogat is prepared to see the dispute towards its first anniversary and then carry on, possibly into a long hard winter. I am convinced we did the right thing."

National officers of the NGA said they were "delighted" with the Sogat result.

A statement issued by News International last night said: "We are disappointed but not surprised by the Sogat ballot.

"The company voiced its concerns on the manner in which it was being conducted on September 26 when we wrote to Miss Dean of Sogat and Mr Willis of the TUC saying we were freezing our offer.

"We called on the TUC to coonduct and or monitor a new balloting process ensuring each dismissed worker received a ballot paper and was given the opportunity to express his or her views on the company's offer, free from interference or undue pressure.

"Sogat and the TUC rejected our request for such a ballot and proceeded with a voting procedure in which we had no confidence.

"The majority of people on strike already have new jobs.

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Sliding sterling puts Lawson under pressure

By David Smith, Economics Correspondent

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Nigel Lawson, faces the toughest test of his political career today. In his speech to the Conservative Party Conference this morning, he has to restore confidence in the pound and convince delegates that there are better times ahead for the economy.

Yesterday, the pound fell to new lows as dealers decided that the Bank of England was hamstrung on interest rates, at least until the Party Conference is over.

The sterling index, which measures the pound's average value against other currencies, fell from 68.1 to 67.1, an all-time low. Since the summer of last year, the pound's average value has dropped by 20 per cent.

It fell 3.4 pfennigs to a new low of DM2.8382 and by 1.45 cents to $1.4205.

The Chancellor, interviewed on BBC Television yesterday, refused to be drawn on what was likely to happen to interest rates or the exchange rate. And he maintained that the time was not right for entry into the European Monetary System.

Mr Lawson conceded that political uncertainties were playing a part in the pound's weakness. "I think markets around the world are aware of the great damage that would be done to the British economy if a Labour government were to be elected", he said.

But currency analysts were blaming Mr Lawson's own political sensitivities for the slide. "The pound is a one-

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way sell as long as the markets believe that Mr Lawson can't raise interest rates". Mr Jeremy Hale of Goldman Sachs said. "And everything coming out of Bournemouth so far suggests we will have an expansionary pre-election Budget."

The Chancellor's speech today is not expected to contain any new message for the markets.

Mr Lawson has a speech planned for next week at the Mansion House, in the City, and this is usually the occasion for discussing the details of monetary policy.

Interest rates edged up in the London money markets yesterday, and dealers remain certain that base rates will have to rise next week, probably by 1 per cent to 11 per cent. This could force up mortgage rates

Even so, it is unlikely that this would do more than steady sterling temporarily.

Work ban to end at Lucas

By Craig Seton

The overtime banat Lucas, the car component makers, which led to a shutdown of production at State-owned Austin Rover, is likely to end today following crisis talks between management and unions.

About 6,000 workers at Lucas Electrical in the Midlands are to be urged to end their sanctions and pay talks are expected to resume tomorrow.

However, Austin Rover, which laid off 12,000 workers on Wednesday, does not expect to resume production until Monday.

An estimated 8,000 cars will have been lost with a showroom value in excess of £30 million.

The management of Lucas Electrical told shop stewards yesterday that Rover had warned it would look elsewhere for components if Lucas could not put its house in order.

Lucas management revealed that it had agreed to reverse the sacking of a worker at its Cannock plant which led to a walk-out on Wednesday by all 600 men there.

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Pillow talk 'about murders'

The girl friend of Jeremy Bamber sobbed in the witness box yesterday as she told how the White House Farm massacre haunted her.

Miss Julie Mugford, aged 22, who betrayed Mr Bamber to the police four weeks after the killings, described the months of pillow talk in which he had allegedly outlined his murder plans.

She told the jury at Chelmsford Crown Court, where Mr Bamber denies five murders at his parents' Essex farmhouse last year, that he decided to go ahead with them after testing his willpower by strangling farmyard rats with his bare hands.

Then Miss Mugford, a teacher from Colchester, spoke of the designer suit which Mr Bamber bought for nearly £200 for his parents' funeral and described how they got drunk on champagne and cocktails the night after the funeral.

She said that Mr Bamber, who stood to inherit £436,000 from the deaths of his adoptive parents and half-sister, became the devil incarnate to her even though she continued to love him after the killings.

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Currie booed by delegates

By Richard Evans
Political Correspondent

Mrs Edwina Currie, the outspoken junior health minister, was booed and faced calls for her resignation at the Conservative party conference yesterday following her controversial remarks about northerners and their eating habits.

The humiliating rebuke, witnessed by the Prime Minister, was sparked off by Mrs Heather Scott, chairman of the Darlington constituency party, who received prolonged applause after describing Mrs Currie's remarks as "thoughtless and patronising."

Mrs Currie sat tight lipped on the conference platform during the verbal lashing. But several Conservative MPs, appalled by Mrs Currie's claim that northerners spent too much on alcohol and tobacco and were ignorant in their eating habits, were privately delighted

Mrs Scott, opening the health debate, told the conference: "I take issue with the junior minister who made the remarks about the diet of we northerners.

"I don't smoke, I don't drink beer and I hate black pudding and there are a lot of people like me in the north."

The next blow for Mrs Currie came as Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, began his speech to conference by introducing his new ministerial team. When Mrs Currie's name was mentioned there were shouts of "resign" and some booing.

Mrs Currie said later: "My only disappointment was that Mrs Scott did not contact me beforehand as a number of other people have done

● It is unprecedented for a new minister to be booed, albeit by a small handful of delegates, when being introduced to conference. The last time a minister was jeered was in the early 1980s when Mr (now Lord) Whitelaw, then Home Secretary, came under fire from law-and-order hardliners.

Kalb goes in US row with Libya

From Mohsin Ali
Washington

Mr Bernard Kalb announced yesterday that he had resigned as chief spokesman of the State Department, following the controversy surrounding the Administraton's reported disinformation programme directed at Libya.

Mr Kalb, a well-known former television journalist, has been chief spokesman and Assistant Secretary of State for Public Affairs for the past two years.

Speaking to reporters at the State Department, he emphasized that he had no quarrel with Mr George Shultz, the Secretary of State, whom he described as a "man of integrity and credibility." Mr Kalb said he did not want his own credibility to be caught up or subsumed in the controversy.

The Administration has said it has not tried to mislead the United States news media

Magazine article is banned

The Government yesterday won a High Court injuction banning the New Statesman magazine from publishing a "confidential" dispatch to Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, from a former British ambassador to Saudi Arabia.

Mr Justice Saville, in a two hour private hearing, granted the injunction to Sir Michael Havers, the Attorney-General.

A Foreign Office spokesman said he had "no idea" how the document had fallen into the hands of the magazine.

The message was sent by Sir James Craig in 1984. It was not thought to contain any information that could cause a breach of security.

Instead it was a "description of Saudi society, addressing the question of what Saudis were like". It is believed the Government could have been embarrassed

Doctors deny baby surgery unethical

From Paul Vallely
Houston

Doctors who recently surgically removed a baby from its mother, operated on the foetus and returned it to the womb, yesterday defended themselves against charges that the practice was unethical.

The child, known as Baby Mitchell, underwent the operation with apparent success at the University of California in San Francisco, and was born in Texas nine weeks later. The boy is now one-year old and healthy, doctors say.

Dr Michael Harrison, of the California Medical School, performed the operation after x-rays had shown a urinary blockage in the foetus which would have killed the child before birth.

The surgeon cut into the mother's abdomen, pulled the baby halfway out of the womb, and performed extensive surgery on his tiny urinary tract. Nine weeks later, Baby Mitchell was born by orthodox Caesarian section.

Since the news broke this week, Dr Harrison has come under attack from other doctors who have raised questions about whether the practice is ethical.

Critics have pointed to the fact that the operation could lead to renal failure in the child, and necessitate a difficult kidney transplant.

They also say that the operation may have so scarred the uterus of the mother as to complicate any further pregnancies.

Dr Harrison has been subdued in his response, claiming that the operation carried no greater risk than normal pediatric urinary surgery or a Caesarian section would.

Other doctors have leapt to his defence.

Dr George Lee, an officer of the Pacific Presbyterian Medical Association, praised Dr Harrison's work for breaking new frontiers, adding: "But it is not radical, it is reasonable."

● Early diagnosis: The life of Baby Mitchell was saved because of the advances which allow the earlier diagnosis of illnesses before birth (Our Science Editor writes).

But the surgery that cleared the urinary tract of Baby Mitchell, thus preventing irreparable damage to the kidneys, could have been done without lifting the infant from the uterus.

Doctors in the United States and Britain have perfected a delicate procedure for this type of pre-natal surgery, which involves inserting tiny tubes to drain vessels and other small cavities that have become blocked.

Baby Mitchell: the face of controversy in medicine.

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NEWS SUMMARY

CPSA fight for votes change

The right-dominated national executive of the Civil and Public Services Association will on Monday seek to change the union's voting system (Tim Jones writes).It is part of a plan to ensure that Mr John Macreadie, a supporter of Militant Tendency, fails to become general secretary in a re-run election.

A fresh election is to be held after a report from the Electoral Reform Society saying that 21 branches, with a membership of 2,270, did not have an oportunity to vote during the last election in which Mr Macreadie defeated his moderate rival, Mr John Ellis, by only 121 votes.

When it meets on Monday, the executive is determined to introduce a postal central balloting system, in which the votes would be sent by individual members to a single address where they would be counted by independent returning officers.

Although the Electoral Reform Society said there was no hard evidence of ballot rigging, Mrs Marion Chambers, the union's president, said yesterday she knew that one individual had signed for 15 ballot forms.

Screening ruled out

Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, yesterday said Britain would not follow Italy after it announced plans to introduce blanket screening of diplomatic bags to combat terrorism (Martin Fletcher writes).

In a letter to Mr Greville Janner, Labour MP for Leicester West, who supports the Italians, Sir Geoffrey said that Britain would scan diplomatic bags if there were strong grounds for suspicion. That knowledge would act as a deterrent.

"A major disadvantage of a more widespread scanning is that it would make our own bags vulnerable to general and indiscriminate challenge. For security reasons we cannot allow the protection of our bags to be impaired."

Red Rum in bronze

Red Rum, the triple Grand National winner, is being immortalized in a life-size bronze statue (David Sapsted writes).

The sculpture, standing 16.2 hands, being done by Mr Philip Blacker at his studio in Clanfield, Oxfordshire, is expected to be ready for casting in a month.

Commissioned by Seagram, sponsors of the Grand National, the two-ton statue will be unveiled in 1988 – the 150th anniversary of the race – and will stand in the paddock area at Aintree.

The Mail wins ban

A newspaper yesterday claimed a rival publication was not entitled to exclusive rights to wedding photos of pregnant Mrs Deborah Bell, who is in a coma.

Express Newspapers argued that Mrs Bell owned the copyright jointly with her husband Ian and he could not sell the rights to Mail Newspapers until she was officially dead.

But, a High Court judge decided to continue a temporary injunction banning Express Newspapers from printing photos of the Darlington couple.

Saudi dispatch ban

The *New Statesman* was banned by a High Court judge yesterday from publishing details of a dispatch from a British Ambassador to the Foreign Secretary.

After a two-hour private hearing, Mr Justice Saville granted the Attorney General an injunction restraining the magazine from publishing anything about the dispatch by Sir James Craig, sent in 1984.

The magazine had opposed the order and outside the court Mr John Lloyd, its editor, said: "Their argument is that the dispatch sent to the Foreign Secretary was confidential and against public interest because it could be damaging to relations with Saudi Arabia. We are considering an appeal."

Gold raid charges

Mr John Palmer, the jeweller accused of offences connected with the £26 million Brinks-Matt robbery at Heathrow Airport in 1983, was charged yesterday with evading VAT on gold when he appeared for committal proceedings at Horseferry Road Magistrates' Court.

Mr Palmer, aged 36, from Lansdown, near Bath, has spent more than three months remanded in custody since being deported from Spain in June. He is charged with conspiring to dishonestly handle stolen gold bullion.

Bus building plan

A £2 million training programme aimed at preserving Lancashire as the bus building centre of Britain was announced yesterday.

Workers staying with Leyland Bus will be retrained to operate high-technology equipment, and the 600 facing redundancy after the management buy-out will be taught new skills and encouraged to set up small businesses.

The plan, drawn up by Lancashire County Council's Job Creation agency, Lancashire Enterprises, and Leyland Bus, is designed to help local industry to survive the present slump in the market. They claim the programme will produce a stronger Leyland Bus company when the predicted upturn in demand comes in two years.

RUC shooting survivor backs Stalker

A survivor of a shooting incident at the centre of the Stalker inquiry into allegations of an RUC "shoot-to-kill" policy believes the resumed investigation will be a whitewash.

Martin McAuley, who was severely injured by undercover RUC officers, said that Mr John Stalker, deputy chief constable of Greater Manchester, had been removed as head of the inquiry because he was "digging too deep". "Someone wanted rid of him as he was asking awkward questions and uncovering awkward things."

Mr Stalker was removed from the inquiry into three shootings in Co Armagh during 1982, five days before he was due to return to Northern Ireland where he hoped to discover the contents of an MI5 tape planted in a shed where Mr McAuley was injured and his friend, Michael Tighe, shot dead.

Mr Stalker believed the tape could prove conclusively what happened before and during the shooting in the barn at Ballyneery, near Lurgan, Co Armagh, in November.

The bugging device had been placed in the shed as it was suspected of being used by republican terrorists to store explosives. The security forces hoped to capture paramilitaries inside.

Mr Tighe had no known paramilitary connections and Mr McAuley, aged 23, who is married, says he has no connections with Provisional Sinn Fein or its military wing, the Provisional IRA.

He says he was looking after the farm for the widow of a veteran 1920s IRA man and says that with Mr Tighe he climbed through a window of the barn after seeing pieces of metal sticking out of hay. Mr McAuley said they discovered rifles, had a short discussion and then got down to look more closely at them when there was a burst of gunfire.

"After the first shots I heard a shout to 'come out' followed by a second burst of gunfire. After I was shot I was dragged from the barn. The police said I jumped up and threw the rifle but I had been badly wounded and could not have thrown anything."

Mr McAuley was convicted of possessing three rifles and received a two-year sentence suspended for three years. The weapons at the barn were at least 40 years old and no ammunition was with them.

At his trial four police officers involved in the shooting said that they had been ordered by a chief superintendent to invent a story to protect the identity of an informer.

Lord Justice Kelly rejected part of the RUC officers' evidence as being "invented" but neither did he wholly believe Mr McAuley's testimony that he had not touched the weapons.

It was these conflicts that the Stalker inquiry team hoped the MI5 tape would help to resolve.

Government defuses the Denning EEC revolt

By Sheila Gunn and Richard Owen

The Government defused the revolt led by Lord Denning, the former Master of the Rolls, in the House of Lords last night on a Bill to speed decision-making in the EEC.

Instead, Lord Denning, who has become something of a folk hero in the Lords, came under attack for being outdated and "living in the times of Palmerston".

Conservative peers rarely seen in the chamber, plus the support from the Alliance, gave the Government a comfortable majority over wrecking amendments to the European Communities (Amendment) Bill.

Lord Denning, with a group of Labour and Conservative peers, has been campaigning against the Bill, arguing that it would reduce the Queen to the status of a state governor and lead to a federal Europe.

A strict guillotine prevented a full debate on the three-page Bill under which member states can rarely use a veto to block decisions of the European Council.

Among those who supported the first main wrecking amendment were members of the Labour front bench and Lord Wilson of Rievaulx, the former Prime Minister.

Lord Tordoff, leader of the Liberal whips, said: "It is clear that the Labour Party has not moved its ground on its attitude to the European Community when the leader of the Opposition (Lord Cledwyn) and their Chief Whip (Lord Ponsonby) voted for a wrecking amendment".

European MPs were almost unanimous yesterday in dismissing Lord Denning's fears about a loss of national sovereignty.

They argued that the amendments to the Treaty of Rome, far from being radical, did not go far enough in increasing the powers of the European Parliament.

"Lord Denning's concerns are wholly misplaced," Mr Christopher Prout, Conservative European MP for Shropshire and Stafford and a constitutional lawyer, said.

"The transfer of sovereignty to EEC institutions from Westminster has been taking place ever since we joined in 1973. It is not a matter of whether you think it is a good thing or a bad thing, it is a fact."

Mr Prout said that, although the Single European Act enshrining the reforms was inadequate, it opened up "exciting possibilities" for increasing the European Parliament's democratic control over Brussels, "and that is something Lord Denning should support".

Herr Erik Blumenfeld, a West German Christian Democrat European MP and author of the Parliament's report on relations with the Council of Ministers, said the long-term goal remained "co-decision-making powers for Strasbourg, and in the meantime the Parliament should use the reforms to increase its say in agricultural spending".

The Single Act, which amends the Treaty of Rome, the EEC's founding document, has to pass through all 12 national parliaments before it comes into force on January 1 next year.

It was signed by EEC heads of government, including Mrs Margaret Thatcher, at the EEC summit in Luxembourg in December last year.

It provides for qualified majority voting, mainly in internal market matters, in the Council of Ministers; a second reading of legislation by the largely consultative European Parliament; and a treaty on the co-ordination of EEC foreign policy.

"Minimalist" states, such as Denmark, resisted the title "Treaty of European Unity", arguing that the changes were a modest step towards union at best.

But "maximalist" states, such as Italy, want to build on the reforms to create a united Europe.

Most EEC parliaments have completed the ratification procedures.

The most intractable opposition so far has been encountered not in Britain but in West Germany, where the Länder or states feel that the treaty amendments not only reduce German sovereignty but detract from the powers of regional government.

EEC officials none the less expect the reforms to be ratified on time.

"It is absurd to argue that the amendments have been introduced by stealth," one official said.

Officials said the European Court of Justice, which guards and interprets the Treaty of Rome and which takes precedence over national law, was not an alien body but a court composed of senior judges from all 12 states.

Similarly, commissioners are drawn from all EEC countries as are the members of the Council of Ministers, at present chaired by Sir Geoffrey Howe under the system of a rotating presidency.

Under the new procedures, EEC laws will originate as Commission proposals and will go to the Parliament for "an opinion" before passing to the Council of Ministers for a first reading.

The proposals or Bill will then return to Strasbourg for a second reading over a three-month period, and automatically become law if no amendments are made.

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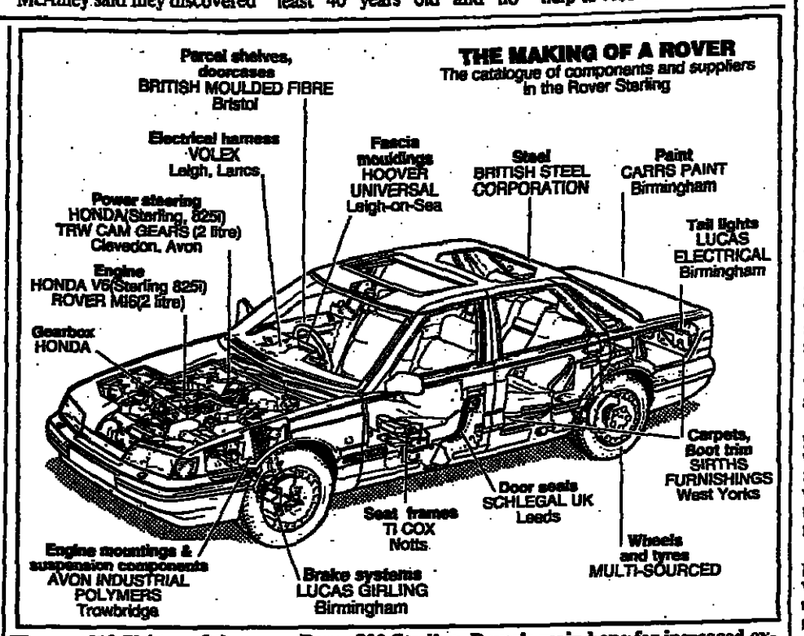

The new £18,794 top-of-the-range Rover 800 Sterling, Rover's main hope for increased exports to Europe and the United States, and some of the car's leading "preferred" suppliers whose factories are scattered across the country from Yorkshire to the south coast. The car, a joint development by Honda of Japan and Rover, is the culmination of the company's six-year, £1 billion model replacement programme.

Austin Rover shutdown

Buying policy may change

By Edward Townsend, Industrial Correspondent

The sudden shutdown of Austin Rover as the result of the Lucas strike has plunged the state-controlled company back into controversy over its purchasing policies.

It also raises the question of whether British industry can successfully emulate the Japanese.

The company's system of "preferred suppliers" and its paring of stored components to the minimum to slash costs has left it vulnerable to external disruption.

Rover is now certain to face growing pressure to review its policies in the light of the Lucas dispute, but the company, under its new cost-conscious chairman, Mr Graham Day, will with equal certainty resist a return to having several suppliers.

The company is convinced that its system of exclusive suppliers has worked well without, until now, any big hiccups. And by adopting a version of the Japanese motor industry's so-called just-in-time delivery operation, it claims a five-fold decrease in cash tied up in inventory.

The BL recovery plan begun in the late 1970s by the then chairman, Sir Michael Edwardes, and which gave birth to the Metro, Maestro, Montego, Triumph Acclaim, Rover 200 series and now the Rover 800, envisaged a system of exclusive suppliers.

The bulk had to be UK-based because of the political sensitivity of buying abroad. The Edwardes scheme had leading suppliers designated as "preferred" in return for a pledge to be as competitive in price and quality as continental manufacturers within three years.

More risky, given that half of the cost of a car covers bought-in parts and materials, was the adoption of "just-in-time". In Japan the concept is successful because of continuously peaceful industrial relations and proximity of the suppliers to the car assembly operation.

Rover negotiated a deal with British Road Services, which has a warehouse close to the Cowley factories, near Oxford.

Not until they pass through the Cowley gates is Rover invoiced for the components. Other parts, mostly bulky items such as facia panels, are delivered direct at short notice.

In the past few years, BL's 1,200 suppliers have been reduced to 700 and quality of parts has improved.

Against that background, it is clear that the company's increasing frustration with Lucas is leading it to find another supplier of electrical parts.

Kinnock's men 'ready for poll'

By Martin Fletcher
Political Reporter

The Labour Shadow Cabinet emerged in buoyant mood from a two-day meeting in Rottingdean, East Sussex, last night, but acknowledging that it faced a serious challenge in selling the party's militaralist defence policy.

It also admitted that further work was needed to identify where enough jobs could be created to keep Labour's promise of reducing unemployment by a million within two years

Mr Neil Kinnock, addressing his frontbench colleagues for the first time since last week's successful party conference in Blackpool, told them that the party had made huge advances over the past year and now enjoyed strong leads in key regions and target seats.

But he said that worsening economic prospects, the likelihood of rising inflation and increasing pressure on the pound and on interest rates could tempt Mrs Thatcher into an early election.

"Mrs Thatcher may play it long or she may cut and run. What I can say is that we are ready at any moment to fight and beat her and to take over and start rebuilding this country.

"What we are seeing from the Conservatives this week are scare tactics from a party which is running scared, stumbling scared, and we are going to keep it that way

The Shadow Cabinet was shown a 20-page full-colour brochure setting out Labour's social and economic policies which is to be launched on Tuesday and sold in newsagents for 75p.

Called *Investing in People:An Agenda for National Recovery*, its launch at press conferences and through party political broadcasts is deliberately timed to capitalise on Labour's resurgence and, to counter the beneficial effects for the Conservatives of their own party conference.

However Labour's defence policy, which calls for the removal of all American nuclear bases from British soil, is to be the subject of a separate and sustained campaign beginning in December.

Newspaper ban in libraries 'political'

Three Labour-controlled London councils abused their powers and put political motives above their legal obligations by banning News International publications from public libraries, the High Court was told yesterday.

A challenge to bans imposed by the Camden, Ealing, and Hammersmith and Fulham councils is likely to form a test case for the 18 other local authorities in England and Wales which bar News International publications from their library shelves.

Legal proceedings started against eight other councils are in abeyance, awaiting the outcome of the present case.

News International, publishers of *The Times*, *The Sunday Times*, *The Sun* and *News Of The World*, Times Newspapers Limited and aggrieved ratepayers from each of the three boroughs applied for a judicial review of the bans to the Queen's Bench Division of the High Court before Lord Justice Watkins and Mr Justice Kennedy.

Mr Anthony Lester, QC, counsel for Times Newspapers, said: "This case raises issues of general importance about the power of local authorities to ban newspapers from public libraries for political reasons, all because the local authority takes sides in an industrial dispute or because they dislike the conduct of the owner or publisher of a newspaper during such a dispute."

He said that the bans were imposed after some 5,500 employees of News International went on strike on January 24 this year, and were dismissed. The publishers had decided to print their newspapers at a new plant at Wapping, east London.

Although the Labour Party endorsed a boycott of News International newspapers, its national local government committee said they should be available in libraries as "it would not be right to be seen to censor public access to papers".

Mr Lester said this was the first time a court had been asked to consider a council's duties under the Public Libraries and Museums Act, 1964, which compels them to provide "comprehensive and efficient" library services.

He said the grievance was that the councils had exercised their power and duties for the improper and political purposes of expressing support for former employees of newspaper companies.

The three councils deny that the bans were an abuse of power under the terms of the Act, and maintain they were entitled to take into account the industrial relations conduct of the management involved.

The case continues today.

● A Southwark councillor, David Payne, aged 43, a *Daily Telegraph* printer, was jailed for six months yesterday for an attack on a newspaper van driver outside the News International plant. Robert Tetaur, aged 33, a former *Times* copy reader, was jailed for six months for his part in the attack. Both are to appeal.

Devonport hopes

Summaries of the tenders from the three companies bidding to run the Devonport Dockyard, largest of the two naval yards being put out to private management to save more £20 million a year, were published yesterday (Peter Davenport writes).

In a covering letter Dr Michael Harte, head of the Ministry of Defence's Dockyard Planning Team, says that all bidders take a more optimistic view of attracting extra work.

The yard is shedding 2,000 workers, due to be completed by next April, when the new company will take over management. All contenders envisage further losses, ranging between one and two thousand.

The bidders are: Devonport Dockyard, formed from the present management; Devonport Management, a consortium of the US-owned Brown and Root (UK), Vickers Design and Projects and Lazard Brothers; and Devonport Operations, a British conortium of Foster Wheeler, A and P Appledore and Wharton Williams.

Takeaway Rembrandt found at station

One of the world's most stolen pictures – a £3 million Rembrandt – was found undamaged at a West Germany railway station yesterday.

The portrait of Jacob de Gheyn III, stolen four times in 16 years, was in the left luggage department at Munster, having been deposited at the beginning of last month. It was wrapped in ordinary packing paper secured by adhesive tape.

The painting, known as "that old takeaway Rembrandt", was last taken in May 1983 and is expected to return today to the Dulwich Picture Gallery in south London, where it has been displayed, on and off, since the gallery opened in the early 1800s.

The curator, Mr John Sheeran, said the painting, due to be examined today, was "definitely" the Rembrandt, painted in 1632. He added: "Lots has been done about security since the painting was stolen."

The 12in by 10in painting was also stolen in 1966, 1973, and 1981.

After the 1983 theft, the police said a three-tier ladder was used to climb on to the roof, about 60ft above ground, where the thieves broke through a fanlight directly into the picture's gallery.

In August 1981, the thief panicked when he realized what he had taken and tried to ransom it for £100,000. It was recovered from a London taxi and three men, one a West German art dealer, were jailed.

It was first stolen in 1966 as one of 14 pictures taken in what was then thought to be the world's biggest art theft. All were recovered within a week.

The Rembrandt was next acquired in 1973 when a thief was stopped walking out of the gallery with it under his coat.

Syrians deny El Al bomb link

The Syrian government denied yesterday that it was involved in an attempt to destroy an Israeli airliner in London last April.

A Jordanian, Nezar Hindawi, is accused at the Central Criminal Court of trying to destroy the El Al Boeing 747 by planting a bomb in the luggage of his pregnant girl friend. It is alleged that Mr Hindawi, who has pleaded not guilty, told the police that a Syrian intelligence officer gave him the bomb.

The state-controlled Damascus Radio accused the CIA and Israeli intelligence of being involved in a "desperate attempt" to involve Syria.

It said the two organizations had, "planned and implemented terrorist acts in Britain and France to be used as a springboard for a wider campaign against Syria".

The station said Syria had condemned the recent bombings in France, and had offered to help put an end to them. But it did not elaborate.

"What is new in this campaign is what is being witnessed at a London court, of desperate attempts to involve Syria in the drama of the explosive charge discovered on the stairs of an Israeli airliner in London. This involvement seems to be the first and last objective behind the London drama," it said.

A leading Syrian newspaper also attacked the British media, for what it said was a "Zionist-biased campaign" to involve Syria, "harming its reputation by directing false and fabricated accusations against it".

"Syria, in the course of combating terror, has done what others failed to do."

The trial continues today.

IBA to relax rules in fight against Aids

The Independent Broadcasting Authority is prepared to consider a relaxation of its ban on the advertising of contraceptive sheaths in a move to help to stop the spread of Aids.

A spokesman for the Department of Health and Social Security said yesterday that television advertising is one of a number of options being considered for the next phase of the Government's £2.5 million campaign to educate the public on techniques to prevent the spread of the disease.

The change in the IBA's attitude to contraceptive advertising was signalled last month in the Central Television programme, *Central Weekend*. The programme, which was seen only in the Midlands, is scheduled to be broadcast in London on 23 October.

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Irish border security

Garda faces RUC criticism

By Richard Ford

The RUC will press the Irish authorities to implement a number of practical measures designed to improve cross-border security at a special meeting of the Anglo-Irish ministerial conference next week.

At the talks there will be lengthy analyses of a series of studies in the intelligence, operational and technical fields which have been carried out by experts from the RUC and Garda.

The British are hopeful of results for, in the words of one source, "we are not talking about friendship and goodwill. We have come to the point where the implementation must begin and that will mean extra manpower and resources."

The growing private criticism by British sources at the pace of change and lack of improvement on the ground south of the border will also be discussed at the meeting which has been requested by the Irish Government. Among those attending will be Sir John Hermon, Chief Constable of the RUC and Mr Lawrence Wren, the Commissioner of the Garda.

Doubts about the Garda's ability to deliver much in the fight against terrorism were revealed in a leaked account of a meeting between Sir John and his divisional commanders in which he was reported as saying of the Garda: "It was evident their capacity and contribution was small".

Improving security along a 300-mile border was one of the benefits Britain hoped would persuade unionists to welcome the Anglo Irish agreement. Some RUC officers believed it gave the security forces the best opportunity to destroy republican terrorism and that it would act as a catalyst for change in the 11,400-strong Garda.

Mr Wren is resisting an RUC idea to appoint an additional assistant commissioner to co-ordinate border security and reduce what they claim is a degree of centralisation which prevents rapid deployment on the ground.

Senior RUC officers would like better-trained detectives deployed along the border, the promotion of younger officers within the force and changes in its training and management.

The need to improve training was recognized in 1970 but there has been little reform despite pressure from Garda representative associations for change.

Formed to police a largely rural society, it has not had the scale of resources lavished upon it when compared with the RUC which has been transformed from a 3,000-strong force in 1969 to one of 8,259 full-time officers with a 4,500 reserve which is one of the best in dealing with anti-terrorist campaigns.

Britain had hoped the Republic would channel extra resources to the Garda whose budget this year is Ir£257 million compared with £302 million for the RUC. But the perilous state of the economy is putting a strain on all resources. Government officials say that the extra cost attributed to the border is running at Ir£157 million a year which per head of the population is four times higher than the cost to the British people.

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Teacher regarded lover as 'the Devil incarnate'

Girlfriend tells how Bamber strangled rats to test courage

By Michael Horsnell

Jeremy Bamber strangled rats in his parents' farmyard with his bare hands to test his willpower before deciding that he could face the prospect of killing his parents.

A court was told yesterday that he then told his girlfriend of his test of courage and decision to go ahead with the massacre at which left dead his adoptive parents, half-sister and her twin sons last year.

The girl friend of Jeremy Bamber told Chelmsford Crown Court of how he came up with several ideas for killing his wealthy parents and inheriting their £436,000 estate.

Miss Julie Mugford, aged 22, a teacher, said his first plan involved drugging them with tranquillisers and burning the house down while they slept. The second was to shoot them.

He just wished they were all dead

She outlined her two-year relationship with Bamber, often shaking and breaking down with emotion, during five hours in the witness box.

She also said that on one occasion she attempted to smother Bamber with a pillow several weeks after the murders.

Later under cross-examination she denied that she had gone to the police to betray Bamber because she had been jilted.

Jeremy Bamber, aged 25, denies murdering the five members of his family with a semi-automatic .22 Anschtuz rifle.

The prosecution claims that Miss Mugford told police that Bamber had planned the killings for months.

Repeatedly clasping and unclasping her hands, she told the jury that she had met the dark-haired young farmer when she went for a holiday job at a pizza parlour in Colchester in November, 1983.

She said that by October 1984 Bamber allegedly was saying that he wanted to get rid of his parents.

"He just said he wanted to live his own life and he wished they were all dead."

Although Miss Mugford dismissed the conversations as idle chit-chat they became more specific and by December 1984 Jeremy Bamber allegedly had devised two methods of killing his parents.

The first of these was to slip tranquillizers into their drinks and then return to White House Farm later by foot or bicycle and burn the house down leaving police to believe that Nevill Bamber, his father, had fallen asleep and dropped a cigarette or a log had fallen from the fire.

Asked her reaction Miss Mugford said "I said they were pretty vile and foul things to say and I would rather he didn't say things like that to me. They were horrible. I also stated it was ridiculous to try to burn down the house because it would not set on fire very easily."

Later, according to Miss Mugford, Bamber said that if he were to kill his parents it would be by shooting.

It was at this stage that Bamber allegedly first realised he could use his sister Sheila, who had undergone two nervous breakdowns, as a scapegoat in the plot to kill his parents.

Miss Mugford said: "Jeremy said Sheila would be a good scapegoat because she had been admitted to a mental hospital. Due to her mental illness she wasn't in control of her senses." Meanwhile, said Miss Mugford, Bamber had told her that he had seen a copy of his parents' will and assumed that the estate would pass to him and Sheila.

Before allegedly carrying out the massacre of his family in the early hours of August 7, 1985 Jeremy captured some farmyard rats and killed them with his bare hands to test his will and discovered that he could kill his parents, said Miss Mugford.

On the night before the murders Miss Mugford said Bamber telephoned her. " He said that he had been thinking about the crime and it was going to be tonight or never. I replied 'don't be so stupid' and disregarded what he said but he told me I would be hearing from him later."

At 3am the next morning she said that she was woken by a phone call from him in which he said "everything going well, something is wrong at the farm. I have not had any sleep all night. Bye honey. I love you lots."

He made a second call at 5.40am in which he said that Sheila had gone mad and that Julie should not go to work because a police car would pick her up and drive her to Goldhanger.

There they embraced and he laughed and said: "I should have been an actor".

That night when they were alone in the lounge Bamber allegedly told her that a friend called Mathew McDonald, who was a mercenary in the Far East had committed the murders on Bamber's instructions.

Miss Mugford said Bamber had told her that Mr. McDonald was to be paid £2,000.

Miss Mugford, who was dressed in a black skirt and printed blouse, told Mr Anthony Arlidge, for the prosecution, that she had not told of these events to the police in a statement which she made on August 8.

Asked why she said: "Initially I did not want to believe what I thought. I was scared to believe it. Jeremy said if anything happened to him it would also happen to me. He said that I could be implicated in the crime because I knew all about it."

Before the first of the two funerals which followed the massacre Jeremy Bamber allegedly went on a spending spree treating Julie and friends of theirs to expensive meals and buying himself a designer suit in Colchester for £198 and a tie for £30.

Miss Mugford added: "I commented that in public Jeremy looked far too happy."

Feeling increasingly distraught Miss Mugford went to a restaurant on August 31 with Bamber.

" I said I was feeling guilt for both of us and wanted him to know what it was like. He said that he was doing everyone a favour and there was nothing to feel guilty about. I said tohim I didn't know what I was going to do or say and he asked me not to do anything stupid."

Mrs Bamber thought I was a harlot

She said that back at her flat in Lewisham, south London, she had once put a pillow over his head and had thought of trying to smother him as he slept.

Earlier Miss Mugford said that Jeremy Bamber's mother called her "a loose woman and a harlot".

She said Mrs June Bamber bitterly resented her relationship with her son and even offered at one stage to provide her with a flat so she could avoid staying with him.

Miss Mugford said they saw each other every weekend. Either he would stay with her or she would spend nights at his home.

" Mrs Bamber told me she didn't understand how my mother could allow it to go on," she said.

"She said she thought our relationship was just a sexual one and she thought I was just a loose woman and a harlot. I was upset and offended and told her we were very good friends."

Miss Mugford said that on September 3 she had a row with Bamber after she had caught him talking to a former girlfriend over the phone. A furious argument developed in which Bamber appeared as if he was going to hit her.

Miss Mugford then said: "Go on then and I will go straight to the Essex police." But they got over the row and it was not until four days later that Miss Mugford did inform the police.

Miss Mugford said that at the funeral of Bamber's parents Jeremy remarked that he hoped a video he had set up at home to cover the news would report what he said that day and show "his best side".

Under cross-examination Miss Mugford said she had wanted to marry Bamber but their relationship deteriorated and she found difficulty in being physically close to him, and that it was she who left him. She said: "Both he and I knew something that no one else did. I couldn't cope with it. I couldn't speak normally to people. It was haunting me. I knew then a lifetime relationship was unlikely." She had omitted originally to tell the police all she knew because she wanted to protect Jeremy and did not know what else to do.

It was she who identified the bodies at the Chelmsford mortuary, having volunteered to do so because no one else could face it.

She had hoped that in seeing the bodies of Sheila and Mrs Bamber she might be able to make spiritual contact and take their advice about what she should do in the circumstances but nothing happened

Miss Mugford, who told the court that she came to regard Bamber as the devil incarnate, said that she did not want to believe what her subconsciousness was telling her about the truth of the murders.

She said: "The police had told me it was an open and shut case of murder and suicide by Sheila. If the police were convinced I asked myself why anyone should believe me. I didn't know what to do. I was scared, just scared. I was scared of what Jeremy would do to me. I was scared that people would think I was mad. I couldn't handle it any more. I was increasingly upset."

She added: "I loved him a long time after I went to the police. I still loved him then.

The trial continues today.

Miss Julie Mugford: the girlfriend of Jeremy Bamber who gave evidence yesterday.

Drug baby mother's challenge to Lords

By Frances Gibb
Legal Affairs Correspondent

The House of Lords was urged yesterday to give a woman drug addict a chance to win her baby daughter back from care, where she was placed after being born addicted to a heroin-like drug.

At the start of a test hearing Mr James Townend, QC, for the baby's court-appointed guardian, asked the law lords to rule that magistrates at Reading, Berkshire, had been wrong in making an order last year putting the child into the care of Berkshire County Council. Judgement was reserved andis expected within four to six weeks.

Mr Townened had told the Lords that the baby was born prematurely, weighing only 5lb in March 1985. She was suffering from drug withdrawal symptoms because her mother, a heroin addict, had continued to take drugs during pregnancy.

Because of her condition, the baby, named only as Victoria, was placed in a special baby unit and later with foster parents, where she had since remained. She had not at any state been in the care of either of her parents.

"It may be that the correct disposal of this child is by adoption. But all her guardian seeks to urge is this: that before that is resorted to, every other reasonable course should be tried."

The baby's mother, aged 30, is challenging the removal of her baby in a hearing with wide legal implications for women about their liability to legal proceedings over their unborn babies.

Some lawyers believe that if the Lords uphold the ruling by the Court of Appeal -- that ill-treatment of a child in the womb can be taken into account in care proceedings -- then the same principle can apply in criminal proceedings.

Such proceedings might be brought not just in drug addiction cases but where babies are born damaged through a pregnant woman's smoking or drinking. The common law rule has always been that women cannot be prosecuted for harm caused to a child through negligence before or at the time of birth.

Opening the hearing Mr Townend told the Lords there should be an opportunity for continued access to the child by her parents so that the possibility of rehabilitation could be explored.

Berkshire County Council and the baby's parents will also make legal submissions.

Portfolio —Gold— Holiday win for secretary

A secretary is the sole winner of yesterday's Portfolio Gold prize of £4,000.

Miss Angela Falshaw, aged 34, from Long Preston in North Yorkshire, has played the Portfolio Gold game regularly for about three months.

"I couldn't believe it. It was just luck that I decided to bring my card with me and carried on playing while on holiday," she said.

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Rail damages

British Rail was yesterday ordered in the High Court to pay £12,000 agreed damages and costs to Mrs Rosemarie Hyland, of Caxton Close, Hartley, Dartford, Kent, whose son, Gavyn, aged seven, died of electric shock in August 1981. He had crawled through a hole in wire fencing.

Third inquiry

An order by Mr Douglas Hurd, Home Secretary, for a third police inquiry into the 1978 murder at Stourbridge of Carl Bridgewater, the newspaper boy aged 13, has been passed by Staffordshire police to Mr James Anderton, Chief Constable of Greater Manchester.

Inquest date

An inquest into the deaths of Miss Lorraine Glasby and Mr Paul Bellion, the Norfolk teachers whose badly decomposed bodies were found bound together in a remote French field, is to be opened and adjourned on Monday.

Worlds apart

Plans to put a new Jaguar XJ model inside Coventry Cathedral as part of a Today's Work for Tomorrow's World exhibition have been foiled ... because the car is 7in wider than the cathedral doors.

Tolls appeal

The Court of Appeal reserved judgement yesterday on the Government's appeal against a High Court ruling outlawing its plan to more than double tolls on the Severn Bridge.

Body 'was put in car crusher'

A man watched as his car containing the body of his stepdaughter was put into a car-crushing machine, the Central Criminal Court was told yesterday.

Mr Michael Worsley, QC, for the prosecution, told the jury that Ronald Barton, who denies murder, allegedly told a fellow prisoner that when the crushed car was melted down, "the body would come to the top as dross and there would be no other trace".

Mr Worsley has alleged that Mr Barton, aged 46, a minicab driver, of Mildenhall Road, Clapton, east London, abducted and murdered Keighley Barton, aged 14, to stop her accusing him in court of sexually abusing her.

Mrs Theresa Barton, aged 37, of Sebert Road, Forest Gate, said that Mr Barton was given a suspended jail sentence in 1980 for sexual assault on his stepdaughter. Subsequent complaints by her daughter were droppped when Mr Barton threatened to bury the girl "10ft under", she said.

Mr Worsley said that Mr Barton faced jail after allegations by his stepdaughter that he had sexually assaulted her while under an injunction banning him from her home.

The case continues today.

Sex attacker

A waiter, Abdul Matlib, aged 33, married with two children, of Lane Close, Kidlington, Oxfordshire, was jailed yesterday for three and a half years after Oxford Crown Court was told he crept into the bedrooms of sleeping women students and indecently assaulted them.

Tube violence

£15m grant to fight crime

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

Passenger panic alarms and "help centres" are to be tested on the London Underground as part of new measures against crime. They will be funded by a £15 million grant announced yesterday at the Conservative Party conference.

Passengers will be able to push a panic button or pick up a telephone to talk directly to the driver in a train or police at a station security point.

Other measures, such as new train and station designs, will also be on test in crime prevention pilot schemes at stations thought to have particular problems.

The new station designs will include special focal points, where the manager and staff will be clearly visible to the public and ready to assist.

The use of closed circuit television will be increased at stations and better windows may be placed at the end of carriages so there is a clear view down the length of a train.

Nooks and crannies at stations will be closed off and lighting will be improved.

There will also bebetter radio communication for the 350 officers of the British Transport Police who patrol the Underground. At present there are times when an incident occurs at a station and staff cannot reach the police, although they may be patrolling near by.

The £15 million grant over three years was announced yesterday by Mr John Moore, Secretary of State for Transport, when he told the conference that the money was part of a government initiative led by the Prime Minister to improve crime prevention.

Yesterday both London Regional Transport and the London Regional Passengers Committee welcomed the money and agreed that much of the problem was not so much actual attacks, but fear of crime by the public.

A spokesman for the committee said: "We take the view that crime is more a problem of perception. You are actually no less safe on the Underground than on the street, but people do feel that once they are on a train or platform there is no one looking out for them or who they can contact."

According to LRT crime is rising "gently" at a time when the Underground is achieving record passenger levels.

A spokesman said there was one violent crime per 500,000 passengers.

The spokesman said violence was an important concern to the public but the most numerous crime was theft, such as pickpocketing.

Knife terror on the Underground

One Underground victim had knife blades put between her fingers by youths and was told they would be cut off unless she removed her rings (Stewart Tendler writes).

The youths, part of a 30-strong gang called the Killer Man Gold Posse, were jailed earlier this year after evidence which included the story of Miss Dawn Drake, aged 17.

The bank clerk from Camberwell, south London was travelling on the Victoria Line when attacked. She was sitting reading a book when ordered to remove the rings.

She said: "Other passengers saw what was happening but got off the train in fear. Two of the youths produced knives and they slashed the straps of my handbag. Then they put the knifeblades between the fingers of both my hands and told me that if I did not give them my rings they would cut my fingers off."

The gang did not get the rings but they fled with her handbag and a gold chain,which was ripped from her neck.

Miss Drake said:"It was such a horrid and terrifying incident that I doubt if I will ever travel on the Tube again."

The gang took its name from London street language and some wore jackets with the initials of the gang. They struck at other targets and were noted for the way they used their numbers to intimidate victims.

Their other victims included a couple of teenagers waiting on a platform at Kings Cross Underground station. They were waiting for a train when they were surrounded. Miss Pamela Doyle, aged 14, from north London, said the gang laughed as two chains were ripped from her neck.

Other muggers are still operating. A few weeks ago Miss Linda Lusardi, a model, was walking along a subway at Piccadilly Station with another girl when a man attacked from behind

'Three fat men in riot'

A jury was yesterday told that the alleged "Fat Man" football hooligan was just one of three such men present during a riot.

Mr Keith Evans, for the defence, told the Central Criminal Court that his client, Terence Matthews, a scrap metal dealer, had been accused of "horrifying" offences of soccer thuggery.

Mr Matthews, weighing more than 19 stone at the time, was picked out because of his size. "But there were two other equally fat men who fitted the same description", Mr Evans added. He urged the jurors not to convict Matthews on identification evidence.

Mr Matthews, aged 26, of Buckhold Road, Wandsworth, south London,denies charges of riot before a Chelsea versus Manchester United home match in December 1984, and affray and causing grevious bodily harm to a public house manager.

The hearing continues

Crash engine toppled

Holidaymakers travelling back from the coast were hurled through the windows of a train which crashed into a van on a level crossing, near Beverley, last July. Nine died and 37 others were seriously injured.

Evidence showed that the train, travelling at about 70mph, struck the van almost dead centre, tearing it into five pieces. Its driver survived, but his adopted son was killed.The diesel engine then jumped the rails and plunged down a shallow embankment to embed itself in a field, before toppling on its side facing the opposite direction to the rest of the train.

A BR investigator, Mr John Lee, told a public inquiry yesterday how every window on the right-hand side of the first carriage was smashed and people were hurled through them to their deaths.

The next three coaches, which were still attached, then dragged the 24½-ton carriage over the bodies.

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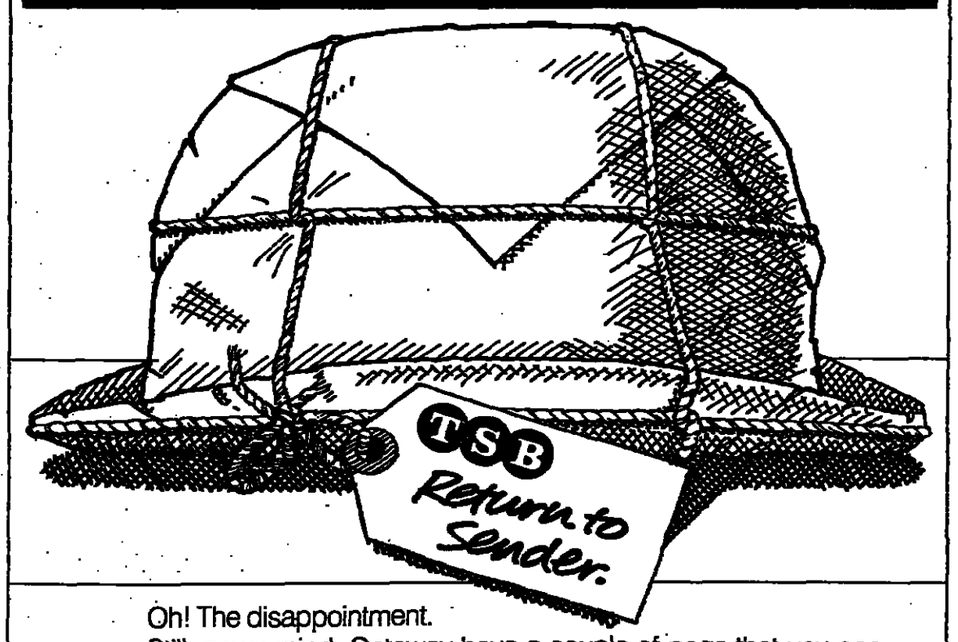

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Better health care with less waiting ordered by Fowler

A £3 billion hospital building programme, plans to cut waiting lists and the waiting time of patients needing to see consultants, were outlined by Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, at the Conservative Party Conference in Bournemouth, yesterday.

He outlined his plans for the development of the health service, including proposals for more operations, particularly for the elderly, and staunchly defended the Government's record of the past seven years.

"The aim we set for our health service and our country is simple – the provision of first-class health care in a first-class nation." It brought him a standing ovation.

Mr Fowler said that over the next three years the Government planned to complete more than 100 new hospital schemes.

In England alone they had more than 380 large hospital schemes at various stages of planning, design, and construction – a £3 billion hospital building programme.

"This is the list of that hospital building programme and the country should know about it", he said and he held up a list nearly two yards long.

"This would mean new wards, new operating theatres, new hospitals in every part of the country.

When the Tories had come to office they had found a health service where too many staff were fighting to give twentieth-century care in a nineteenth-century setting.

Today they were building the new hospitals that would take them into the twenty-first century. The Government was looking forward where Labour had failed.

No issue was of greater concern to the public than waiting lists. The last Labour Government had left record waiting lists of 750,000 people. The Conservatives had reduced that number.

Some trade union leaders now complained that reduction was not enough. He agreed, but he would find their complaints more convincing if they were not the men who led the strikes of 1978 and 1982 which added 250,000 patients to the waiting lists.

But they had to take up the challenge. Too many people were still waiting for too long.

He had asked every health authority to report to him on their local position, to set out where and why patients were waiting most, and to say how that position could be improved. Those reports would be with him by the end of the month and he would act upon them.

Good management action could reduce the waiting time for patients needing to see a consultant. He was asking Sir Roy Griffiths, one of the country's leading managers, to help with that task.

He outlined areas of health care where he wanted improvements.

Stinging rebuke for a minister

Mrs Edwina Currie, the junior health minister, received a stinging rebuke during the debate on the health service for her recent remarks about the eating habits of people living in the North.

Mrs Heather Scott, from Darlington, said the remarks had been "thoughtless and patronizing".

Mrs Currie was sitting on the platform at the time with other DHSS ministers.

Mrs Scott said: "I take issue with the junior minister who made remarks about the diet of northerners.

"I do not smoke; I do not drink beer; and I hate black pudding. And there are a lot of people like me in the North."

The North did have problems of unemployment and that obviously had some effect on health and wellbeing.

Mrs Currie should have asked why that was. The reason was Labour dominance of the area. Where Labour was in control unemployment was twice as high as in other areas.

He said he wanted more operations for the elderly with heart disease, more hip operations and more eye operations. Those operations would restore a freedom and independence to elderly people.

He was conscious of the particular and justified concern that millions of women had about cancer. He was setting clear targets for the fight against cervical cancer. Within two years there must be call-and-recall systems in every health district. He intended to end the delays in processing the results of a smear.

Children benefited from the genius of those who performed bone marrow transplants. "By 1990 we aim to increase the number of these life-saving operations to at least 550 a year."

He recognized special responsibility to mentally handicapped children living in large institutional hospitals. "I want to see these children getting the care they need but in better facilities.

"I am asking the health service to ensure that by the end of 1988 no mentally handicapped child receiving long-term care should be required to live in a large mental-handicap hospital."

He appealed to parents to secure a good start in life for their children by ensuring they had vaccinations, particularly against whooping cough.

Turning his attention to his critics and the Labour Party, Mr Fowler said that time after time the Labour Party had cared in words but not in action. Under them waiting lists went up, hospital building was cut and there was strife in the wards.

To cheers and applause, he said that the Tories were not prepared to take lectures about their concern for the health service from the Labour Party.

"This party is committed to the health service. This party is committed to bringing help to people in need, whoever and wherever they are. We care and we care in action."

More resources were being put into the National Health Service, £11 billion more a year than when they came to office.

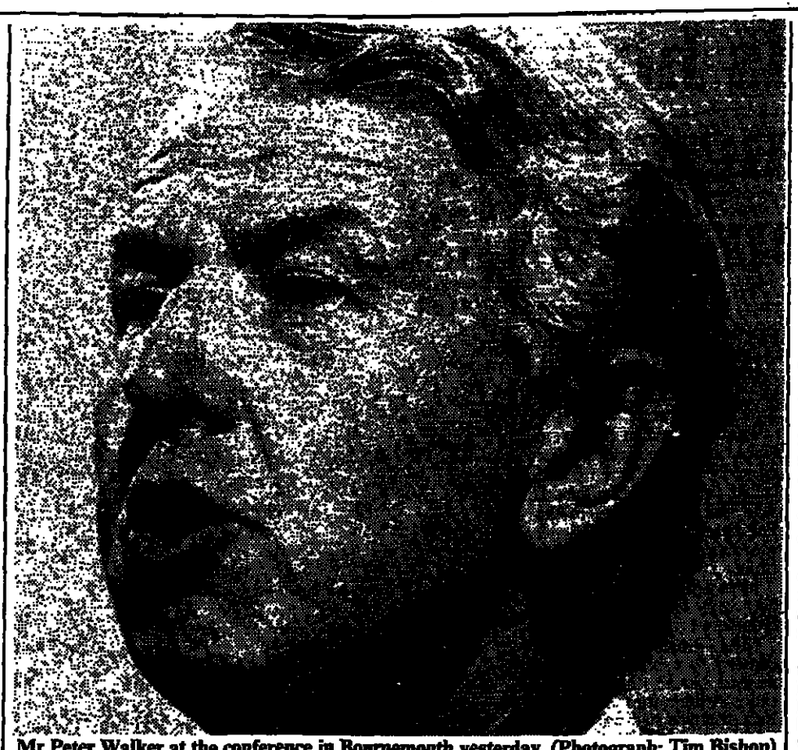
More doctors and more nurses were working for patients than at any stage in the history of the health service. They were providing more and better patient care – four and half million more patient cases were being treated today than when they came to office.

Their critics dismissed all that as statistics. What they forgot was that each and every one of those four and half million statistics was a personal story – a story of care, of a patient's pain relieved and hope renewed.

It was absurd to claim that cleaning, catering and laundry services should be regarded as a public sector monopoly. The private sector could and must play a part. The health service was now saving £63 million a year, which was going straight into patient care.

The conference overwhelmingly carried a motion welcoming the record provision of resources for the health service and urging the Government to intensify its campaign of getting value for money.

Dr David Tod, vice-chairman of the Conservative Medical Society, during the course of the debate, said that if every general practitioner referred one less patient a month to a specialist and if every specialist referred back to the GP one patient a month, within a year 500,000 people would be taken off the waiting lists.



Mr Peter Walker at the conference in Bournemouth yesterday. (Photograph: Tim Bishop)

New cash for 'city' schools

It was rubbish to suggest, as the Labour education establishment had done, that the city technology colleges scheme would harm the rest of the inner city schools, Mr Kenneth Baker, Secretary of State for Education and Science, said at a Bow Group meeting.

The money he had persuaded Mr Nigel Lawson, Chancellor of the Exchequer, to provide for the project was extra money.

"These knee-jerk reactions from the Labour activists clearly indicate that we must be right. We are responding to what the parents want. Labour is the anti-opportunity party."

The new schools were not at the expense of the state-maintained schools in the towns. They would become beacons and serve to lever up standards. When they became popular it would be seen that this was the sort of education children required

● Mr Rhodes Boyson, Minister for Local Government, told the Selsdon Group of his support for education vouchers.

Vouchers have been urged in the past to enable parents to choose the school to which they send their children.

"In the long run there must be educational vouchers or direct funding of schools so that parents can 'walk' with their money. The right in a free society is the right to get out, the right to say I am taking my boy away and sending him to the school down the road," he said.

LAW AND ORDER

Videos to be used in child cases

The conference cheered a series of announcements by Mr Douglas Hurd, Home Secretary, of further measures in the fight against crime. But the applause for those measures was more restrained than the cheers for a representative who called for the return of capital punishment for the murder of prison officers and police officers.

Mr Hurd announced that the Criminal Justice Bill would enable live video links for children to give evidence in child abuse cases without the distress of giving evidence in the presence of the alleged attacker;

The Bill would also oblige courts to make compensation orders against offenders.

He said that £9 million would be used to strengthen victim support schemes; that the establishment of Thames Valley, Kent and Essex police forces was being increased; and that he was seeking a way to reassure the public on the adequacy of sentences while reconciling that with the independence of judges.

The Home Secretary added that a new serious fraud office would be set up to prosecute complex frauds and that there would be a power to confiscate the profits of all crime.

He is also to use more widely his power to deport people when he believed it to be in the national interest.

Mr Hurd said that there was vast scope for preventing crime, particularly the 96 per cent that was against property.

Mr Nigel Waterson, Hammersmith, chairman of the Bow Group, moved a resolution commending the Home Secretary on his support of the police in their difficult task and condemning those in other parties who sought to condone lawlessness and to undermine traditional standards of behaviour.

He said the politics of envy as preached by the left was not far removed from condoning criminality.

Dubbing anyone earning more than £25,000 a year as excessively wealthy was only one step removed from confiscatory taxation, which in turn was only one step from excusing the "free enterprise" confiscator who relieved them of their car or video.

Mowing old people's lawns might be an appropriate sentence for some offenders, but others might regard it as an encouragement to a life of crime.

In very serious cases a life sentence must mean what it said. The rights of victims to compensation should be extended and that should be made a prominent feature of the forthcoming Criminal Justice Bill.

Mr David J. Evans, chairman of Luton Town Football Club, said he was sick and tired of seeing the nation depicted on television as a lawless rabble filled with soccer hooligans. He commended to the Football League the Luton "members only" scheme.

At the Luton FC ground, once like many other sports grounds a place where decent people were not prepared to take their families, there were no more fences, police, horses, dogs and segregation. There was no more violence, no more obscene chanting.

"The members scheme has identified and removed the bully from football at Luton and it can remove the bully from all our football grounds", he said. "I say to football, whether they like it or not, that the next move forward for them is a members scheme."

Mr Barry Field, parliamentary candidate for the Isle of Wight, was loudly applauded when he said he could not understand why those who had taken life were allowed to live. The sooner the reintroduction of capital punishment was part of the Conservative Party manifesto the better.

DEFENCE

Trident 'can and must' be afforded

Not only could Britain afford the Trident missile system to replace the Polaris nuclear deterrent, but to abandon it and redress the balance with Russia by conventional forces would cost many times more, Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Defence, said when replying to a debate on defence.

"Only Trident will ensure that our deterrent remains effective", he said.

Attacking Labour's policy on defence, he said: "In a fine flood of rhetoric, Mr Kinnock abandons the whole basic strategy of the West".

If an enemy threatened to use nuclear weapons against British troops, what would Mr Kinnock do, he asked. Would he tell them to fight on and be wiped out, or surrender?

"He hasn't said and he doesn't know."

He could report that the Forces were in good heart and doing a professional job. For seven consecutive years the spending targets for defence had been met.

After outlining the equipment being used by the Forces, he said that they would shortly be ordering from British industry an improved model of the highly successful Rapier air defence system.

Although Trident was a big programme, over the years the Government was paying for Trident it would spend twice as much on training and four times as much on British Forces in Germany.

Britain's Nato partners looked to Britain for stability, leadership and common sense.

They would find it hard to believe their eyes and ears if a British government came along with a policy based on woolly emotion and the sort of demagogic claptrap heard at Blackpool last week.

But the Conservative Party was the Government and was and would remain a reliable ally.

They would not abandon their friends and that included their closest all, the United States (applause).

Moving the motion, which was carried unanimously, Mr George Richey, Shrewsbury and Atcham, said that any person who put forward proposals which might weaken the political integrity of Nato was being incredibly irresponsible.

Nuclear weapons were not weapons of war. They were weapons of deterrence. It was on that moral basis that we deployed them.

The motion supported the Government's defence policy which must continue to be based upon a a nationally controlled nuclear deterrent and effective conventional forces while attempting to achieve a balance reduction in the levels of all weapons of war.

It was being seriously proposed that this country, from its present position in Nato, should throw away its own nuclear capability. The idea that that would not have a devastating effect on Western Europe was extraordinary.

COMMENTARY

Geoffrey Smith

Norman Fowler received his customary standing ovation yesterday. Since the departure of Michael Heseltine there is no other minister, with the obvious exception of Mrs Thatcher herself, who has been more consistently adept in recent years at bringing the representatives to their feet.

But this was no routine conference occasion. The challenge facing Mr Fowler is critical to the government's future. If the Conservatives are to win the next election they will have to erase the widespread suspicion that they are undermining and neglecting the health service.

The extent of the task was indicated somewhat paradoxically by Mr Fowler right at the beginning of his speech when he referred proudly to the government's record.

"More resources are being devoted to health," he proclaimed, "than at any stage in the history of the health service." Yet this government is suffering more political embarrassment from its failure to do more than any other administration in the history of the service.

Part of the explanation is that there can never be enough money to spend all that could be put to good use on health, and the gap inevitably becomes wider as medical technology develops.

Familiarity breeds reassurance

Another explanation is that more attention always tends to be attracted by the closure of old hospitals than by the opening of new ones: familiarity breeds reassurance.

Then there is the belief, by no means always ill-founded, that the greater resources of the service are not well managed. Time and again one hears it said to Conservative politicians at by-elections: "You may be spending more on the health service altogether, but you are not spending it on caring for patients here."

So there are tasks of persuasion and of performance. Like Kenneth Baker on education the day before, Mr Fowler's approach yesterday was essentially pragmatic. In both cases that seemed wise.

Mr Fowler did not look to an extension of private medicine for the salvation of the health service. I believe that there is a continuing and probably expanding role for private health care in this country, and that the closer the public and private sectors are brought together the better. But it is the NHS that will continue to provide medical care for most people and it is there that the political challenge lies.

It will not be enough to go on repeating the total sums that are spent on the service. Otherwise there would not be such a political problem today. People have to be persuaded that the money is being used to make more facilities available for the treatment of them and their families.

Mr Fowler responded to this challenge by referring not just to the sources but to actions – to the list of new hospitals being built, to the number of particular operations being performed now compared with a few years ago, to targets for the future and to his programme for cutting waiting lists.

So far as it goes, this seems entirely the right approach. The correct yardstick for measuring health care must be performance not just the amount of money spent. Mr Fowler was transforming financial statistics into terms of medical treatment.

But the public will not be reassured simply by the publication of national figures, whether of money spent, or hospitals built or operations performed. Mr Fowler could not be expected in a conference speech to provide more local detail than he did yesterday. But in the months ahead he and his ministers will need to make it clear precisely what is being done in different parts of the country if they are to win this political battle.

There also remains the substantive task of improving the management of the service. Perhaps the restructured management board, with the new health minister, Tony Newton, as its chairman, will fare more happily than its predecessor. But for the moment effective management remains an aspiration rather than an achievement.

Yet the most important feature of Mr Fowler's speech was that like other ministers this week he was looking to the future rather than simply justifying the past.

TRANSPORT

'Ludicrously high' air fares must be cut

The Government wanted to see the ludicrously high air fares within Europe cut down to size, Mr John Moore, Secretary of State for Transport, told the conference.

"We want to break up the cartels, abolish the monopolies, lift the restrictions and let people fly", he said when replying to a motion calling on the Government to continue the process of opening up the transport industry to market forces.

The Government must do everything possible to ensure that British airlines were allowed to compete, he said.

Europe might offer the best prospects for progress in the short term.

"We already have agreements with Holland, Belgium, Switzerland, Germany and Luxembourg, agreements that mean more competition, more services, new routes, lower fares.

"But this is only a start. We have a task, a mission even, to lead the way to more and fairer competition in the airways of the world."

The Channel tunnel, which he described as the most dramatic engineering project of the century, would bring more economic activity, more jobs and more scope for individual travel. Best of all, it would be funded by private money with no drain on the taxpayer.

It was an achievement no Labour government would even contemplate, because they were so ideologically opposed to private enterprise and the jobs it brought.

Private money also funded the Dartford road bridge, announced last week, which would provide 5,000 man-years of employment.

Mr Charles Hendry, Mansfield, moving the motion, said there were now 700 more long-distance bus routes than in 1980 before deregulation and, in many cases, the fares were still lower.

Mr John Moore: Freeing the airways for the people.

Lucas dispute distressing, says minister

The Lucas dispute halting Rover Group car production was "very distressing". Mr Paul Channon, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, said yesterday. Mr Channon, speaking after trying out a new Jaguar at the Conservative Party conference in Bournemouth, said: "I don't want to get involved in the details of a dispute with another company but obviously it's very distressing". He rejected the suggestion that the lay-offs boded ill for the long-term future of the company.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Ridley promises more city development bodies

More Urban Development Corporations will be created within two years, Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for the Environment, announced to the conference.

He also told representatives that local authorities would be made to put more services out to competitive tender and that rates reform would be the top priority in the next Parliament.

Mr Ridley, in a debate on local government, said the first four UDCs would be in Trafford in Greater Manchester; on Teesside; in the Black Country; and in Tyne and Wear.

The setting up of more UDCs would be considered as resources allowed.

"They will all have powers to redevelop and rebuild both the fabric and the prosperity of these areas", he said. Decades of socialist rule, combined with the changing patterns of industry, had left some of the older industrial cities in dereliction and decay.

Putting services out to competition boosted the private sector, enterprise and jobs. It broke the monopoly of the public sector. Services were run for the benefit of the consumer rather than the producer.

Mr Ridley promised legislation "very soon" to make local authorities put about eight more services out to competitive tender. The list would include refuse collection, street cleaning, building cleaning, catering, ground and vehicle maintenance.

He condemned the "loony left" councils. Many spent ratepayers' money pumping out vile propaganda and they employed each other in highly paid non-jobs.

Militants and their sort knew that their power depended on perpetuating the cycle of deprivation, unemployment and dependence.

The Government would take early action to ensure that legislation banning propaganda on the rates was fully effective.

The Government could go on legislating until it had a framework of law within which abuses could be contained, with more central control, or it could make local authorities fully accountable to their electors.

The Government had chosen local democratic accountability. So its main proposal was to replace domestic rates with the community charge. Everyone over 18 would pay it.

After receiving government grant, and their share of the unified business rate, councils' extra spending would have to be paid for pound for pound by the community charge they raised.

The conference overwhelmingly carried a motion urging the Government to take the initiative to curb abuses of power in local government.

ENERGY

Walker taunts Labour over its nuclear policy

Mr Peter Walker, Secretary of State for Energy, taunted the Labour Party over its decision at its conference last week to phase out nuclear energy in Britain.

"What about the morality of it all?" he asked the conference. "You say: 'Nuclear is not safe so you will have to put up with it for another 20 years'.

"If it is not safe they should have said they would stop it straight away. If it were not safe we would stop it straight away", he said amid cheers.

Only a party infiltrated by the loony left could adopt such a policy on nuclear energy. The Labour Party planned to get rid of nuclear energy at the very time that North Sea oil would be running out.

Energy prices would soar under Labour. Prices would be disastrous for the gas industry, the cement and chemical industries, for the paper industry. Probably at least another 100,000 would be unemployed.

Of course, after the Chernobyl disaster, Britain needed desperately to have international standards of regulation, of safety and inspection. But no such design of reactor would have been allowed in Britain.

How could Mr Arthur Scargill say that the nation must abolish nuclear energy in the interests of health and safety, yet go to Moscow again after the Russians had announced that they intended doubling their nuclear power programme?

Did Mr Scargill condemn his Soviet friends for jeopardizing the safety and health of the Soviet people?

Labour had got unity at its conference at a price: for the first time Labour would go into the next election on a policy of nuclear disarmament, a policy that would bring pleasure only to Moscow; another price was the sop to Mr Scargill and the Labour left on energy policy.

Mr Walker told representatives, to a standing ovation: "When it comes to the next election we will thrash the socialists as never before".

Earlier, he said that in the few weeks since the public were informed how they could get details of the issue of British Gas shares, applications had been coming in at the rate of 4,000 an hour, 24 hours a day. The rate had improved since the Labour conference.

By the time the Conservative conference was over there would have been twice as many applications as were received in the entire period of the British Telecom flotation.

The conference passed by an overwhelming majority a motion commending to the Government a balanced energy policy utilizing all available fuel sources and means of reducing energy waste. The motion emphasized that safety was paramount.

Mr Eric Pickles, of Keighley, moving the motion, said they must not condemn their children to a lower standard of living than existed today. He did not want children's lives to be held to ransom by the National Union of Mineworkers.

Mrs Joan North, of Wokingham, spoke against the motion. She said: "I do not think the sheep in Cumbria care where the radioactivity came from.

"This is not a national problem but a global problem. However safe we may be, the nuclear safety chain is only as safe as its weakest link."

Talk of safety was like that about a man falling from a tall building and saying as he passed each floor: "Safe so far".

● Labour's energy spokesman, Mr Stan Orme, said that Mr Walker's speech raised the question of whether the Government had an energy policy at all (our Political Reporter writes).

The speech contained "no proposals, no content – simply political abuse", he said.

"Peter Walker has often rebuked Norman Tebbit for attacking his opponents rather than talking about policy. Today Peter Walker descended to the depths of standard Tebbit abuse. Outside the Tory Party conference no one will be impressed."

Today's agenda

The conference will debate today food and farming, employment, economic policy and taxation, rates and rating, overseas affairs, and environment.

Reports by Robert Morgan, John Winder, Howard Underwood, Derek Barnett and Peter Mulligan

Bonus schemes boost increase in company executives' pay

By Derek Harris, Industrial Editor

Executive salaries have risen 9.1 per cent in 12 months, with some senior managers getting up to 14 per cent more, well ahead of inflation and a 7.6 per cent rise in average weekly earnings.

When other cash benefits such as bonuses are taken into account, executives have seen their rumuneration rise by up to 10 per cent. The benefits are part of a trend towards flexible payments geared to the profitability of a company, with bonus and share schemes both showing big increases in the present decade.

The twenty-fifth annual survey of executive salaries and fringe benefits, released yesterday by Inbucon Salary Research (ISR), part of Inbucon Management Consultants, reported a slowing in the rate of executive salary rises in the 12 months to last July, after an increase of 10 per cent in the previous 12 months. But that was in a year of higher inflation.

Another influence was that 5 per cent of executive salaries increased by 20 per cent or more in the past 12 months. Mr Don McClune, ISR manager, said that this was not so much to do with much-publicized high salaries in the City of London, but that some companies were now doing extremely well.

Mr McClune said high bonuses were also being paid, with one company paying £6,000 to each of its managers. One in two managing directors, and other directors, now get bonuses, compared with 40 per cent or less in 1981. Overall, 44 per cent of executives enjoy bonuses, compared with 36 per cent in 1981.

Schemes for giving shares to executives, as a form of deferred pay, have shown a big increase. In 1981, 17 per cent of executives were included in share schemes, but the proportion rose to 48 per cent in 1985 and was maintained at 47 per cent in the past 12 months.

Average salaries of managing directors in the 12 months to July were £43,014, a 14 per cent increase, and 98 per cent had a company car. The average for other directors was just under £30,000, an 8 per cent rise.

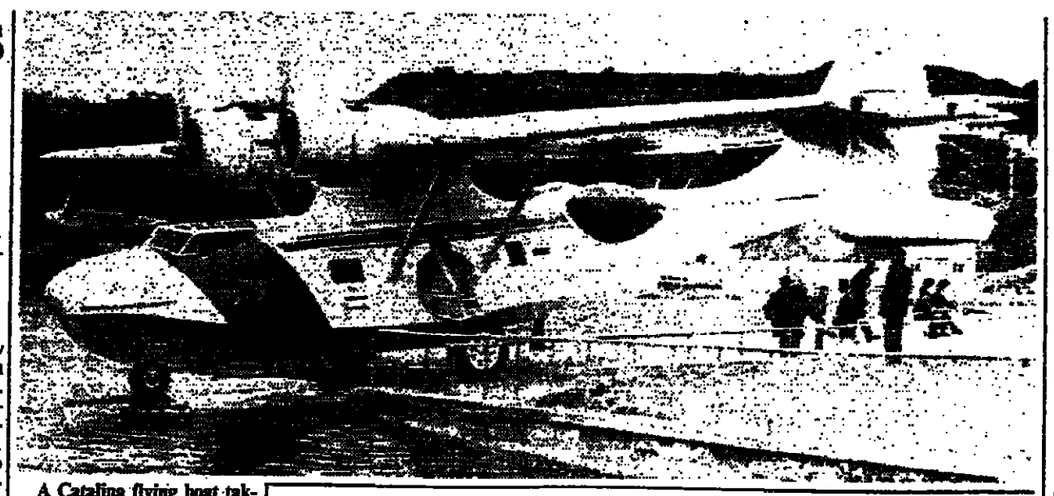
Financial executives averaged £24,131 (up 8.5 per cent) and cost accountants £15,647 (up 6.5 per cent). Chief engineers' salaries averaged £17,591, but although 40 per cent got bonuses, those averaged only £1,602 compared with an average of £3,042 for all executives.

Production executives, including those in quality control, were paid an average of £20,599, with bonuses of £2,555, while 80 per cent had company cars. Company secretaries averaged £29,908, a rise of 14 per cent, and 86 per cent had company cars.

1986 Survey of Executive Salaries and Fringe Benefits (Inbucon Management Consultants, Knightsbridge House, 197 Knightsbridge, London SW7 1RN; £150).

COMPARISON OF SALARIES

	July 1 1985 £	July 1 1986 £	Ch'nge %	Total reward exceeds salary by %
MANAGING DIRECTORS	33,000	36,986	12.1	13.1
General Managers	26,892	29,400	9.3	6.5
Company Secretaries	23,810	25,004	5.0	5.3
Personnel Executives	19,000	20,500	7.9	6.7
Training Executives	15,000	16,748	11.7	3.9
Financial Executives	20,000	22,000	10.0	4.5
Cost Accountants	13,500	14,519	7.5	2.4
Production Executives	17,488	19,000	8.6	5.3
Chief Engineers	15,009	16,176	7.8	1.9
Production Controllers	12,576	13,750	9.3	3.2
Production Engineers	13,500	14,300	5.9	2.4
Quality Control Executives	13,986	15,280	9.3	1.4
Distribution Executives	14,500	16,000	10.3	1.6
Purchasing Executives	15,000	16,200	8.0	6.5
Sales Executives	17,580	19,100	8.6	6.5
Export Sales Executives	18,250	20,000	9.6	8.7
Marketing Executives	19,258	21,083	9.5	5.3
Heads of R & D	18,525	20,000	8.0	5.6
Heads of Data Processing	17,407	19,158	10.1	3.7
All Jobs	16,000	18,750	9.7	4.8



A Catalina flying boat taking off yesterday on the first leg of a return trip to Canada, less than five months after sinking in Plymouth harbour (Harvey Elliott writes).

The flying boat was one of two on a transatlantic trip to mark the seventy-fifth anniversary of US naval aviation. Built in 1944 and fitted with luxurious pigskin, leather and wood interior, she yawed sharply to the right on landing, hit a channel buoy, tore off part of a wing tip and settled in the water.

Since then Ray Barnard, a Canadian engineer, has worked almost non-stop to get the aircraft into flying condition. Helped by engineers from the Royal Naval Air Station at Yeovilton, he has been forced to rip out the interior and fit new wing tips.

Yesterday she made a perfect take off, piloted by the man who flew her in, Canadian businessman Bob Franks.

Travel for disabled

Airlines miss a vast market

By Harvey Elliott, Air Correspondent

Airlines are to be urged to tap into a vast market of potential passengers which, it is claimed, they are now largely ignoring — disabled people.

A conference organized by the Royal Association for Disability and Rehabilitation later this month will draw up proposals aimed at making flying easier for people in wheelchairs, the blind and the elderly.

Mr George Wilson, director of the association, said yesterday: "There are literally millions of disabled people worldwide who would like to travel by air and are well able to afford it, but they are being prevented from doing so."

All airlines will be urged to follow the lead of British Airways in installing wheelchairs on aircraft which can be used to take disabled people to lavatories on long flights.

"Things are much better now than they were," Liz Fanshaw, Director of the Disabled Living Foundation, said, "but there is still a long way to go. The main problem is that aircraft and airports are designed with narrow aisles and very small toilets, steps and other impediments."

● Air fares between London and Dublin have been frozen by the Irish government and an independent Irish airline has been permitted to use jets on its Dublin to Luton route. Mr Jim Mitchell, Irish communications minister, rejected an application by Aer Lingus, British Airways and Dan Air to increase their Apex fares on the Dublin to London route.

At the same time he gave permission to the independent airline, Ryanair, to use jets on the Dublin to Luton route, introduced four months ago with an unrestricted return fare of £90. The unrestricted return fare offered by the main airlines is £190.

Ryanair is also hoping to start services between Cork and Luton and Shannon and Luton.

Anglers are put on UN blacklist

By John Goodbody

British international sea anglers have been caught fishing in South Africa and are to be included on the United Nations sporting blacklist.

The South African Non-Racial Olympic Committee yesterday confirmed that 19 men are on the list, to be published in a fortnight. The move will effectively bar them from competing in about 50 countries.

The National Anglers Council (NAC) and the National Federation of Sea Anglers said they would be inquiring into the Britons' participation in competitions in March last year.

Mr Peter Tombleson, NAC executive director, said yesterday: "We did not know anything about this event but I know we did not apply for any grant aid for the competitors to go to South Africa."

Mick Toomer, from Basildon, Essex, who won the individual title for a series of three events, each held over three days, said the 18 Englishmen and one man from Northern Ireland had gone as individuals. He agreed, however, that they had appeared as England teams.

Mr Toomer said they paid for flights but the South Africans met some expenses during the three-week stay.

Hopes for new era as dissidents are freed

By Trudi McIntosh

Lord Avebury, chairman of the British Parliamentary Human Rights Group, said yesterday that he hoped the release of the two Soviet dissident human rights activists, Dr Yuri Orlov and Dr Vladimir Brodsky, would herald a new era of free discussion between the Soviet Union and the West on peace and disarmament.

In a letter to Dr Brodsky, aged 42, who is now in Israel after being released from a Soviet labour camp last month, Lord Avebury, wrote: "Unfortunately, campaigning for peace in the USSR is still a criminal offence, unless those concerned are prepared to adhere to the Soviet line."

Dr Brodsky, a Jewish physician, was sentenced last year to three years in prison for his involvement in the Soviet peace movement.

In 1982 he founded the "Group to Establish Trust between the Soviet Union and the United States" in Moscow with two others, but a year later he was dismissed from his job and later imprisoned on charges of hooliganism.

Dr Orlov, aged 62, who was serving a five-year term of internal banishment in Siberia, arrived with his wife, Irina, in the United States last Sunday.

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Denning crushed on sovereignty

HOUSE OF LORDS

The House of Lords last night threw out by 176 votes to 52, a Government majority of 124, the contention by Lord Denning, former Master of the Rolls, that the European Communities (Amendment) Bill would severely curtail the sovereign powers of Parliament and of the Queen.

Conservative, Liberal, SDP and even some Labour peers all came down heavily against him in debate and in the lobbies, the principle argument being that mutilation of the Bill which gives legislative effect to the Single European Act, would be viewed with utter dismay by other member states.

Lady Young, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, in calling for the rejection of the series of amendments that Lord Denning had advocated, said it made sense to relieve the main European Court of some of its workload. The new courts of first instance being proposed would take on that burden but would not take on new work, nor would they have new powers.

Lord Denning, former Master of the Rolls, in moving his amendments, including one to prohibit European courts sitting in the UK and accord British subjects the overriding protection of English law, argued that the Bill was needed because of the vast workload of the European Court which was threatening to overwhelm it.

Consequently, it was proposed to establish a number of lower, attached, courts of first instance, to take over some of this work. But these courts would work on European lines, which the English Court of Appeal had already stated were dissimilar to English procedures and were administrative rather than judicial. They were inquisitive and not adversarial.

The question I seek to raise (he said) is, are the subjects of her Majesty the Queen to be compelled for their rights and defences, to go over the Europe to courts, manned by European judges operating procedures quite unknown to us?

The Queen was, by the British constitution, the source and fountain of justice. Judges and peers swore an oath of allegiance to her. In return for that allegiance, the Queen had a duty to protect her subjects. It was for that reason the courts were set up to decide disputes.

Are we to say today (he said) that British subjects are to go, not to courts in England, but to attached Courts of Justice in Luxemburg, where the procedure and process has already been condemned by the Court of Appeal in England?

Lord Gladwyn (L) said the amendments were designed to tear the guts out of the recently concluded Single European Act. That was their intention.

The formal adoption of any single one of these amendments (he said) would mean the whole Treaty was repudiated by the British Parliament, repudiated in spite of the fact that it was believed by the Government to be in the interests of this country.

It would mean our partners in the Community would go ahead without us and this could eventually necessitate our withdrawal from the Community.

Lord Campbell of Alloway (C) said they all owed sovereignty to the Queen but also to some surrender of sovereignty to make the European system work. If they passed the amendments other states would wonder if the UK was in or out and whether the UK was up to its old tricks again.

Lady Elles (C), a Vice President of the European Parliament, said they should be thankful for a Community based on the rule of law and that British subjectys should have rights before the European Court. These courts of first instance would benefit British subjects and not be to their detriment.

Viscount Caldecote (C) said the Bill was not fully considered in the Commons. The British public did not realize what was being done in their name.

Lord Houghton of Sowerby (Lab) said he supported the Bill and opposed the amendments. He was disappointed at the ambivalence of the Labour Party over membership of the EEC. The Bill was an inevitable as it was desirable. The completely autonomous state was obsolescent.

Lord Denning said he was not seeking to wreck the EEC or European law. All he was saying was that when there was a dispute, let it be decided by English courts.

Lord Bruce of Donington (Lab) said the 1972 Act under which they joined the EEC was passed on the basis that British interestes would be protected by the veoto. Now the veto would be useless.

Lady Young, replying to the debate, said the new courts would not hear cases brought by member states nor would they hear cases brought by institutions of the Community or any referred to the European Court of Justice by national courts.

There could be no question of the powers of the courts being changed under the proposed provisions. Such substantial change could only be made by changes to the treaty requiring unanimous agreement of member states and also of national parliaments.

It would be logical for the attached courts to sit in Luxembourg and their jurisdiction would be no grater than the existing Courts of Justice.

Parliament today

Lords (2.30): Housing and Planning Bill, committee stage.

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Asians and blacks not treated fairly in legal profession, says author

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

Asian and black members of the legal profession are being prevented from advancing their careers because of "racist" practices, it is claimed in the *Christian Action Journal*.

Mrs Elizabeth Burney, author of a book on the magistracy, says in the *Journal* that there are 800 QCs but none is of black or Asian origin.

She says it is "scandalous" that ethnic minorities are suffering from the same sort of prejudices that women faced until recently.

There are still only 19 women QCs and she believes discrimination is going to take a long time to be worked out of the system.

Among circuit judges only one, Judge Singh, is of ethnic origin.

There are 14 women circuit judges and five tribunal chairmen — the lowest rank of the full-time judiciary. Very few tribunal chairmen are black or Asian, but the Lord Chancellor's Office says more are being actively sought.

Mrs Burney, who is writing in an issue of the *Journal*, edited by the Prison Reform Trust, says: "Given the existence of at least 300 black and Asian practising barristers, many of long years experience, their lack of advancement is nothing short of scandalous, as the Bar itself now recognizes.

"Racist practices within the legal profession have so limited their opportunities to gain experience that very few have reached a position in their careers where they can be considered for judicial posts.

"Just as women barristers found until very recently, black and Asian barristers are only offered work that is seen as 'suitable' for them. This means criminal work for black defendants, usually from black solicitors."

The Bar Council set up its own inquiry which acknowledged the existence of discrimination against black barristers and subsequently monitoring machinery has operated.

The Bar Council and the Law Society hope to fund a long-term research project on black access to and progress within the legal profession.

"It will be many years before all this bears fruit in a fair proportion of black and Asian judges," Mrs Burney says.

She cites research on black magistrates written by Michael King and Colin May and published by the Cobden Trust. It says: "The chances of a black defendant appearing before a black magistrate in areas where there is a sizeable black community range between 3 and 21 per cent."

Employers fight prejudice

By Angella Johnson

Race, sex and age discrimination by employers are causes of social unrest and disillusionment, the Institute of Personnel Management claims.

Yesterday it unveiled an equal opportunities code of practice, which suggests ways of preventing all types of discrimination that are still rife in society.

The institute hopes its 28,000 members will use the pamphlet as a guideline for fairer recruitment of staff.

A spokesman said: "These policies should ensure that the most effective use is made of all human resources and help prevent the unpleasant results of discrimination at work.

"Discrimination has created a lot of tension in our inner city areas."

The pamphlet includes advice on recruitment processes, promotion and how to deal with complaints of victimization.

Employers are encouraged to set targets for recruitment, which should include employing people from different racial and age groups.

The institute says people in their forties and fifties have become the lastest victims of discrimination, because of a myth that they cannot easily learn new skills.

To combat this the code states: "Those responsible for in-house training and retraining programmes should recognize that older workers can still acquire and retain new knowledge and skills."

During the next 12 months the institute will monitor implementation of the code and intends compiling a further code of guidelines next year.

The code has been welcomed by Mr Peter Newsam, chairman of the Commission for Racial Equality. He described it as a positive attempt to encourage the employment of people from ethnic minority groups.

"Personnel managers have a key role in starting off equal opportunity programmes and in making sure that new initiatives are taken to deal with any inequality which may be identified in their organization," he said.

Insurance firm seeks advisory role

By Frances Gibb
Legal Affairs Correspondent

Legal insurance companies are attempting to provide legal advice to the public alongside citizens' advice bureaux and law centres if the Government goes ahead with proposals to take that job away from solicitors.

In its response to the Lord Chancellor's Department, which is considering the proposals, the Legal Protection Group, one of the main legal insurance companies, says it is in a "unique position to give the type of advice normally given by CABs and law centres".

For a number of years, it says, it has been providing general telephone advice.

A team of government officials has recommended in a legal aid scrutiny report that free legal advice on a wide range of civil matters could be provided by advice centres. Solicitors would still do the court work.

But the team has not looked at the possibility of a commercial organization such as the Legal Protection Group competing for work.

The service offered by the group could form part of the overall system to be co-ordinated by the proposed new Legal Services Board, it says.

Clients who have legal expenses insurance with the group have access to legally-qualified consultants who work on a rota basis 24 hours a day, it says. Calls tend to be from people involved in road accidents; relatives of people arrested and people wanting advice with domestic disputes or financial difficulties.

The scrutiny team recommends that legal aid funds no longer be available for advice on wills, probate, conveyancing or anything else which can be described as "arranging one's own affairs".

Dr Peter Tomlinson with a miniature transmitter demonstrating radio-assisted practice with Miss Helen O'Coffey, a fourth-year student.

Radio advice for student teachers

By Mark Dowd, Education Reporter

Forty teacher trainees at Leeds University School of Education are about to become radio-controlled in an 18-month experiment that may revolutionize training techniques.

Radio-assisted practice (Rap), a £42,000 project funded by the Economic and Social Research Council, permits a discreet contact between educational supervisor and student during school lessons.

Teaching students will wear a miniaturized earpiece receiver which will pick up advice and guidance from the intructor at the back of the classroom. The instructor's tiny transmitter can be strapped to a finger.

The School of Education at Leeds has between 10 and 15 radio-assisted practice sets costing about £600 each.

Dr Peter Tomlinson, who is directing the project, conceded that "rapping" had to be skilful to be effective.

Most trainees, he said, knew about good teaching methods but often forgot to implement them in the heat of the classroom. The role of the project supervisor would be to consolidate theory by offering reminders with well-timed interjections.

For example, one of the common pitfalls among trainees was the tendency to throw out unspecific questions.

The question which begins: "Who can tell me ...?" often provoked no reaction from children, Dr Tomlinson said. Pupils were also apt to stare at the ceiling if the teacher continues to say, "Do you agree?"

Should trainees persist in those errors the supervisor might simply say "check name" to remind them to direct their questions to individuals.

The system is also intended to compliment trainees when they perform positively. Dr Tomlinson recalled an instance of a teacher receiving the message, "good ignore", after she refused to countenance disruption.

PC loses job over shooting

By Craig Seton

A police marksman who accidentally shot a woman constable in the leg with a wax training pellet has been forced to resign.

PC Graham Rees, aged 28, was "required to resign" from the West Midlands police after a hearing before Mr Geoffrey Dear, the Chief Constable, this week.

PC Rees, a member of the West Midlands tactical firearms squad, was on armed security duties at Birmingham International Airport when a wax training pellet fired from a .38 revolver hit WPC Eleanor Bird in the leg.

WPC Bird was forced to take three days sick leave after the incident, which was the result of a prank.

PC Rees, married with two children, was suspended from duty, but the Director of Public Prosecutions decided that no criminal proceedings should be taken against him.

The incident, in the locker room at the airport, happened nine months after another West Midlands police marksman, PC Brian Chester, accidentally shot dead John Shorthouse, aged five, during a raid on a Birmingham house.

PC Chester was acquitted of manslaughter.

Go-ahead for missile warning system

By Ian Smith

Planning permission for a new missile early warning system to replacethe existing radar domes at Fylingdales on the North Yorkshire moors was reluctantly granted by National Park guardians yesterday.

The controversial project is to be discussed at the coming US-Soviet summit in Iceland.

Within five years the three Fylingdales domes will be replaced by a 120ft high truncated pyramid with a single radar satellite communications disc on top, capable of tracing objects in a 360 degree spread over a distance of 6,000 miles.

The present radar system covers only 190 degrees. The new equipment, linked to similar complexes in Alaska and Greenland, will be able to plot missiles fired from any part of the world.

The development has been strongly criticized by a Washington lawyer, Mr John Rhinelander, who was legal adviser to the United States team which negotiated the 1972 anti-ballistic missile treaty between the United States and the Soviet Union.

Mr Rhinelander insists the new "phased array" radars will lead Fylingdales towards Star Wars technology and will violate the treaty.

In a letter presented to the North Yorkshire Moors National Park Development Committee yesterday, the Ministry of Defence said that the Fylingdales project was merely a modernization of existing resources and conformed fully with US treaty obligations.

By 19 votes to 4, members of the committee rejected demands for a public inquiry into the £125 million project on the edge of their moors which will be controlled by the ministry, funded by the United States and run by the Royal Air Force.

Among those calling for a public inquiry were the Council for National Parks, the Council for the Protection of Rural England, Leeds City Council, the Ramblers' Association and the Open Spaces Society.

Few public objections have been raised, possibly because the notice declaring the ministry's plans was posted on a board 25 yards inside the Fylingdales site, where a large red sign warns trespassers off.

Sale room

Vienna in 1900 comes into its own

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

Viennese painting came into its own at Sotheby's yesterday with its first specialist picture sale. Called "Vienna 1880-1930", the sale achieved a new level of prices, making a total of £982,520 with 14 per cent left unsold.

Mr Alex Absis, Sotheby's Viennese painting expert, commented afterwards: "And this is only the beginning."

Exhibitions in Venice, Paris and New York have recently demonstrated that Vienna in about 1900 was in the forefront of artistic development.

The top price yesterday was £88,000 (estimate £40,000 to £60,000) for "Night Rises From the Sea", by Wilhelm List, showing a girl with flowing hair rising from lines of silver waves.

While Klimt was the best known Viennese artist of the period, List was his close collaborator. List was a co-founder of the Vienna Secession group and his great talent was demonstrated by yesterday's sale. His 1908 "View of the Lunzersee" went to Marlborough Fine Art at £82,500 (estimate £20,000 to £30,000).

The bargain of the sale was probably List's self-portrait with his brother, painted in the year the Secession was founded, which fetched £17,600. A repetition of the striking double portrait, painted a year later, is in the Austrian national collection in the Vienna Belvedere.

A very early Egon Schiele, "The Dome of Klosterneuburg Convent by Night" of 1908, made £77,000 (estimate £60,000 to £80,000). Schiele's first exhibition was held at the Convent and it may have been included.

"Somnium Juventutis", by Gottlieb von Hartenkampf, the misty head and shoulders of a girl clutching a red rose to her bosom, secured £46,200 (estimate £15,000 to £20,000). It was still not a high price for an outstanding Symbolist picture.

Guildford Museum was among the successful bidders at a Glendining's coin sale on Tuesday afternoon. It spent £2,420 (estimate £1,000) for a penny made at the Guildford mint during the reign of William the Conqueror, an extreme rarity. It came from the third and last auction from the famous Elmore Jones collection of Norman and Plantaganet coins and made £48,301, with every lot finding a buyer.

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US Senate accuses top Russian in United Nations of being a spy

From Michael Binyon, Washington

Hard on the heels of the US Administration's accusation that many members of the Soviet Union's United Nations Mission are engaging in spying, the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence has accused the top Russian working in the UN of being a KGB intelligence officer.

In a report calling for broad changes in US counter-intelligence programmes, the committee did not name the man. But Señor Javier Peréz de Cuéllar, the UN Secretary-General, has two assistants, one of whom is Mr Vladimir Kolesnikov, a Soviet citizen.

The report said: "The KGB has succeeded in infiltrating its officers into the UN bureaucracy, with some reaching positions of authority. The KGB has held the position of assistant to the Secretary General since Viktor Lesiovsky held the post under U Thant. The current assistant is a KGB China expert."

The Senate report was based on information gathered by US intelligence agencies that has been declassified for public release.

The report also said the recently-exposed spy cases had caused damage "far greater than anyone in the US Government has yet acknowledged publicly".

It said this had cost billions of dollars. But the US still had a totally inadequate programme to combat "expanding hostile intelligence operations" against the US.

"Our committee found a security system paralyzed by bureaucratic inertia, with little ability to bridge the gaps between agencies or between different security disciplines like personnel security and computer security," said Senator David Durenburger, the committee's Republican chairman.

The report also strongly criticized leaks of information by the Administration, saying these were "so commonplace as to imperil many sensitive programmes and operations".

The report will strengthen calls for the US to take a tougher line, especially over spying by Soviet UN officials and members of the three Soviet UN missions.

It says about 450 Soviet citizens in the US, posing as official representatives, are really intelligence agents, and calls for reductions in the numbers allowed to serve in the Soviet Embassy, consulates and UN missions.

As part of the package deal to free Mr Nicholas Daniloff, the Administration agreed to delay the deadline by which the 25 Soviet UN mission members had to leave.

Some 14 have already gone, but 11, considered to be the top intelligence officers, still remain, and Moscow is resisting pressure for them to leave.

The issue is expected to be raised at the Reykjavik summit.

They are said to include the head of the KGB in New York, identified as Mr Valery Savchenko, and the head of the GRU, the Soviet military intelligence agency, identified as Mr Vladislav Skvortsov.

Within the Administration, Mr George Shultz, the Secretary of State, is said to have argued strongly in favour of delaying the expulsion order.

Prisoner of the Sandinistas

Mr Eugene Hasenfus is led by Nicaraguan soldiers through jungle after his capture following the shooting down of his plane

Managua says American was a military adviser

From Alan Tomlinson, Managua

An American who survived the shooting down of his plane as it was making a supply drop to US-backed rebels in Nicaragua was carrying an identification card describing him as a military adviser in El Salvador, according to Nicaraguan Army officials.

One of two Americans who died in the US-made C123 transport plane when it was hit by rocket fire on Sunday was bearing similar identification, the officials said. The other man's identification card described him as an employee of an aviation company linked, according to the officials, to the Central Intelligence Agency.

Another man who died has been identified only as being Latin in appearance.

The survivor told a press conference in Managua on Tuesday that he was Mr Eugene Hasenfus from Marinette, Wisconsin. He made only a brief appearance before being led away with his hands tied behind his back.

Mr Hasenfus told reporters who spoke to him briefly at the scene of his capture, about 20 miles from the Costa Rican border, that he was "an aviation expert" working in El Salvador where he had joined the aircraft on its doomed flight. He said the flight had originated in Miami and had made a stop in Honduras before entering Nicaraguan air space.

Lieutenant-Colonel Roberto Calderon, chief of the southern military region, said the captured American had been the crew's "kicker", the man who pushes parachuted supplies out of the plane. He had parachuted to safety himself when the aircraft was hit and had been captured the following day.

Reporters at the press conference were shown identity cards and other documents taken from the prisoner and the three dead men. They identified the pilot as Captain Wallace Blaine Sawyer Junior and the co-pilot as Mr William J. Cooper. Mr Hasenfus had identified both men as Americans, Colonel Calderon said.

The identification cards belonging to Mr Hasenfus and Captain Sawyer had been issued by the Salvadorean armed forces and signed by General Bustillo, Commander of the Air Force.

"Their IDs identify these men as members of the US military advisory group in El Salvador," Colonel Calderon said. The US has about 50 advisers assisting the Salvadorean Army in its war against left-wing guerrillas.

Colonel Calderon produced a card identifying Mr Cooper as an employee of Southern Air Transport which, he said, had been connected with the CIA in recent North American newspaper reports.

Plane link denied by Reagan

From Michael Binyon Washington

President Reagan yesterday compared the unofficial US group supporting the Contra rebels in Nicaragua to Americans who fought in the Spanish Civil War and he insisted that there was no US Government connection with the American crew of the cargo plane shot down on Sunday.

He said: "We're in a free country where private citizens have many freedoms, including the fact that some years ago many of you spoke approvingly of something called the Abraham Lincoln Brigade in the Spanish Civil War."

Despite Administration attempts to disavow any role in the private group of Contra supporters, the incident has fuelled criticism of the growing unofficial involvement in the fighting in Nicaragua.

The Reagan Administration said the surviving crew member, Mr Eugene Hasenfus, was working for a group headed by a retired US Army Major-General, John Singlaub, who runs an anti-communist organization based in Phoenix.

General Singlaub said he knew nothing about the incident, which had nothing to do with his organization. A company set up by General Singlaub in El Salvador has been used for Central Intelligence Agency operations in the past.

The Pentagon said Mr Hasenfus, aged 45, had served in the marines from 1960 to 1965, reaching the rank of corporal. His wife refused to say if she had been officially informed of his capture. His brother said that he worked for an air freight company in Florida and once ran a parachuting school.

Tamil geurrillas dig in despite village set-back

Trincomalee (Reuter) — Tamil separatist guerrillas are still entrenched in Sri Lanka's eastern district despite a three-day battle in which Government troops recaptured a rebel stronghold.

The Trincomalee security forces commander, Lieutenant Colonel Lakshman Wijayaratne, said guerrillas controlled five villages around the city after last week's battle in the village of Sambaltiva.

"The situation has not gone out of hand but terrorism is still prevalent in this district," he said.

The village was deserted yesterday. The 3,500 inhabitants had fled and soldiers armed with automatic weapons guarded the streets.

"We cleared this place of terrorists but there may still be a few lurking in the bushes to set off landmines," Col Wijayaratne said.

He said 450 troops took part in the operation, code-named "Sea Horse", launched at dawn last Thursday.

Hint of reform for Spanish abortion law

Madrid — Spain's new Health Minister has hinted that the Government will respond to criticism by women's organizations and remove restrictions on legal abortions.

"The Government's objective is to resolve the social problem of those women presently going abroad to interrupt a pregnancy or who have the operation performed in Spain under dangerous health conditions," Señor Julián García told Parliament.

Scientific award for atom spy Fuchs

Berlin (Reuter) — Klaus Fuchs, the physicist who betrayed sensitive Western nuclear secrets to Moscow in the 1940s, has been awarded a top East German scientific honour, the Communist Party newspaper *Neues Deutschland* said yesterday.

Fuchs, aged 74, was presented with the title "exceptional scientist of the people" for his achievements in theoretical physics.

Throughout the 1940s, Fuchs, then a naturalized British citizen of German origin, passed British and US nuclear secrets to Soviet intelligence.

US to set up drug school

Port Moresby (Reuter) — The US plans to start a school for narcotics agents in Papua New Guinea and its island neighbours to step up the fight against drug smuggling, a US official said.

Mr Andrew Fenrich of the US Drug Enforcement Agency said Australian authorities had expressed concern that Papua New Guinea waters were being used increasingly to smuggle heroin and other drugs from Thailand.

Plant protest

Bonn — Anti-nuclear demonstrators blocked several roads in Hamburg during the second day of protests over the start of a new atomic power station.

Air award

Chicago (Reuter) — A federal judge awarded $37 million (£25.7 million) to more than 1,700 former United Airlines flight attendants who said they had been forced to retire when they married.

Iran census

Nicosia (AP) — The first public census under Islamic rule in Iran has begun and will take 15 days to complete, covering an estimated 47 million people.

Solar contract

Tel Aviv (Reuter) — An Israeli solar energy company has signed a billion-dollar contract with an American power corporation to build 12 solar generation systems in southern California, a spokeswoman said.

Troop denial

Ankara (Reuter) — Turkey denied Greek charges that it had reinforced its troops in northern Cyprus, saying they were "completely unfounded and lies".

Chirac 'no' to terror blackmail

From Diana Geddes Paris

As France was facing up to a seemingly endless spiral of new terrorist threats and escalating demands yesterday, M Jacques Chirac, the Prime Minister, reiterated his government's determination not to give in to blackmail and not to enter any form of negotiations with the terrorists.

"France is a democratic country which is ready to talk to anyone, except under constraint," he said. "Any negotiation or compromise with terrorists is not possible as it would simply encourage them to take further action in pursuit of their demands."

M Chirac said all the information obtained by the police so far indicated that the Abdullah family and the Lebanese Revolutionary Armed Faction (Farl) were responsible for the recent bomb attacks in Paris, which had left 10 dead and more than 200 injured.

In a reference to publicly-voiced suspicious that Syria and Iran are also behind the attacks, M Chirac said: "Nothing allows us to affirm that a foreign state is implicated, closely or distantly, in the latest tragic events ... we must judge on proof, not on suspicion."

M Chirac was speaking shortly after the arrival in France for a 48-hour private visit of Mr Shimon Peres, the Israeli Prime Minister.

On Tuesday the Armenian Secret Army for the Liberation of Armenia (Asala) announced that it had asked the Islamic Jihad to execute one of the seven French hostages in Beirut "as a present to the French zionists on the occasion of Peres' visit".

It claimed that Jean-Paul Kauffmann, the hostage in question, was a "zionist spy". The group also accused President Mitterrand of being a zionist and repeated its promise to assassinate him "however long it takes".

The Islamic Jihad, which is holding at least three of the French hostages in Beirut, has demanded France to secure the release of 17 terrorists imprisoned in Beirut in connection with attacks on the US and French embassies.

The Committee for Solidarity with Middle Eastern and Arab political prisoners (CSPPA), the group which has officially claimed responsibility for the latest wave of bombings in Paris, has — after several days silence — repeated its threats to renew terrorist attacks unless three Arab terrorists are released from French jails.

The French Cabinet has approved a Bill to transform the electoral map, after President Mitterrand's refusal to sign a decree to implement the reform (Reuter reports). The Prime Minister, M Jacques Chirac, invoked a guillotine measure to speed up action in the National Assembly on the Bill, which will return France to the simple majority system of voting.

Search for a 'téddy bears charter'

EEC labours on toy safety

From Richard Owen, Strasbourg

"You would think that if the EEC could agree on anything it would be how to make toys safe for our children," one official said wearily this week.

Mr Jeremiah Sheehan, the Irish head of the EEC Commission's department for consumer affairs, agrees that it has taken "two darned long" to produce a brief directive ensuring that teddy-bears do not catch fire and toy trucks do not slice off small fingers.

A directive on toy safety is now going though the final stages of written procedure at the Commission. It is the third version of a law first proposed 14 years ago.

Consensus among the Twelve on safe toys appears to have been achieved, but at a price: the directive is couched in far vaguer terms than its predecessors and leaves potential loopholes for toy manufacturers who opposed more detailed earlier versions on the grounds that they would impede and suffocate their industry.

The new directive is the first example in the consumer field of a little noticed Commission decision of May last year known as the "new approach" to technical and safety standards — one of the key elements in the completion of the internal market.

As this week's Internal Market Counsel in Luxembourg, chaired by Mr Alan Clark, the Minister for Trade, clearly demonstrated, the timetable for internal market liberalization and harmonization has slipped badly. Despite efforts to speed things up by Britain, which currently holds the presidency of the EEC, the target date of 1992 is beginning to look elusive.

Under the "new approach" — until now only applied to industrial products such as pressure vessels — the Commission avoids imposing detailed requirements on manufacturers and lays down broad principles to which national safety standards boards are supposed to conform.

In the case of toys, the new directive provides general criteria for ensuring that toys are not inflammable or dangerous, but as far as what Mr Sheehan calls "the nitty gritty" is concerned, manufacturers are required to conform with overall standards laid down by the Committee for Standardization.

Critics of this system say that it does not screen out dangerous imports into the EEC and puts the onus on the Commission rather than on manufacturers.

Mr Sheehan denies that it gives toymakers *carte blanche*, but admits that some EEC countries have lower safety standards than others and that even the European Committee's standards do not include toxic materials such as those in modelling clay, or chemicals and chemistry sets.

EEC officials add that even when the new directive is published, it will still have to pass through the European Parliament at Strasbourg.

Although the EEC reforms, due to come into force in January if Britain and other states ratify them, are designed to speed up decision-making, they also increase the Parliament's powers of scrutiny, thus arousing in some commissioners the vision of yet more directives piling up in committee stage.

"God forbid that the toy directive should be held up for the third time by demands from the lunatic fringe at Strasbourg that it should also cover morally harmful toys such as toy guns. That sort of thing gives the Parliament and the EEC as a whole a bad name," one MEP said.

British shops still sell dangerous playthings

By David Cross

Despite stringent restrictions on the sale of unsafe toys, British shops and market stalls were still selling potentially lethal items, trading standards officers around the country said yesterday.

The chief trading standards officer for Gloucestershire County Council, Mr Michael Givens, said one of the most "horrendous" cases he had come across in 40 years of experience, was an oven, the Super Horno Magico Lili model, which was bought for £10 by a customer from a Cheltenham market last month.

Manufactured in Mexico and with all the instructions in Spanish, there were sharp edges on a sheet metal interior, which could rip tiny fingers to shreds, and the surface heated up to a temperature of 140F in 15 minutes because the oven, designed for use on 110-volt instead of the standard British 240-volt system, had to be plugged directly into the mains to heat two 100-watt bulbs.

There was also high risk of a child getting an electric shock from the Continental-style screw-in bulb holders fitted in the oven.

"If the wires were connected the wrong way round and a child touched the metal fitting of the bulb he would receive a terrible shock. Any supplier of a toy which needs water and electricity to make it work is providing a lethal mixture," Mr Givens added.

Another extremely dangerous toy, sales of which have recently been stopped, was the Monneret Poussette folding pushchair imported from France. Although this was meant for use with dolls, several children had been discovered using it for younger brothers or sisters, said Mr Ray Harrup, deputy director of trading standards for Leicestershire County Council.

He knew of at least eight accidents in which children suffered crushed hands or nearly severed fingertips with the collapse of a tubular frame under the weight of a toddler. In August alone three more accidents involving the pushchair, which is held upright only by a fragile plastic tray fixed between the axles, were reported although it had been withdrawn from sale early in the year.

However carefully laws were formulated there would always be loopholes. The Monneret pushchair, for example, could not be banned because it was classified only as a "child's plaything" and trading standards officers could do no more than urge retailers and importers to withdraw it, said Mr Harrup.

Mr Givens: demonstrating the "horrendous" oven.

Labour MEPs call for Europe withdrawal

From Our Own Correspondent, Strasbourg

The British Labour Party group in the European Parliament yesterday sought to move Mr Neil Kinnock and the Labour Party leadership in the direction of a policy of eventual withdrawal from the Common Market.

The group called for a restoration of British sovereignty which it said was being ceded to EEC institutions such as the Commission in Brussels.

On the day that ratification of EEC reforms aroused accusations of loss of sovereignty in the House of Lords, the Labour group in Strasburg called on the Labour leadership to adopt as official policy a repeal of those aspects of the British Treaty of Accession to the EEC which it claimed conflict with the policy of a future Labour government.

A discussion paper put forward by Mr Alf Lomas, Labour MEP for London North East and leader of the Labour group, was approved yesterday by a majority of Labour MEPs.

Strasbourg split over drugs plan

Brussels — Splits appeared yesterday in the European Parliament's new policy towards Europe's drug problem, with Socialist MEPs protesting that the hard-line approach adopted by the Parliament's drug committee — with backing from the British Government — would be counter-productive and increase rather than reduce illegal drug trafficking (Richard Owen writes).

The Parliament's report calls for strict checks at the EEC's external frontiers and a co-ordinated crackdown by European police forces on what Sir Jack Stewart-Clark, chairman of the Parliamentary drugs committee, called "this filthy trade".

Miss Carol Tongue, Labour MEP for London South-East, insisted that although drugs were a terrible problem, a "repressive moral crusade" would be ineffective.

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US action on Pretoria opens the door for British exports boost

By Nicholas Beeston

British business is expected to boost exports to South Africa in the wake of growing United States disinvestment and in the light of South Africa's improved economic performance.

British and South African trade representatives said yesterday that the pro-sanctions climate in the US would probably mean a "bigger slice of the cake" for South Africa's main exporters, Britain, Japan and West Germany.

Mr Raymond Parsons, the chief executive of the South African Association of Chambers of Commerce, said in London that senior British business executives had asked which US companies were "looking vulnerable" in South Africa.

"It is perfectly legitimate for British business to take a hard look at the the impact of US sanctions," he said. "If the question is 'Is there life after sanctions?', the answer is 'Yes, for those who want to take advantage'," he said.

The trend had started two years ago when the total of 350 US companies based in South Africa began to slip until now there were only250.

Although the bulk of US sanctions prohibit the import of South African goods, rather than the export of American goods, there is strong pressure on US companies to cut all links with Pretoria.

A British Government trade source added: "In theory if one major exporter drops out, it follows that the others would get a better share."

A business analyst in South Africa said the increase in the gold price had turned the country into an increasingly attractive export market and improved its payment record.

Asked about the US sanctions, he said: "I would have thought it was a good chance for the UK to move in."

Although Britain adheres to some of the measures adopted by the Commonwealth and all those agreed by the EEC, the Department of Trade and the Foreign Office still offer British companies guidance if they want to trade with South Africa, through the commercial section of the British Embassy in Pretoria and the British Overseas Trade Board.

A Foreign Office spokesman said that there was a ban on Government sponsorship for trade missions to South Africa, but there were no constraints on Government departments giving advice to firms wishing to trade there.

Next month for instance the Engineering Industries Association is organizing a two-week visit for representatives of nine UK companies.

Colonel William Williams, the association's secretary-general, said yesterday that if British traders found that there was a vaccuum left by American companies then it would be up to them to take advantage of it.

"British companies can do rather well in fulfilling the needs of the South African market," he said.

But a spokesman for the United Kingdom-South Africa Trade Association predicted that South Africa would try to compensate for US trade bars by providing alternatives from within its own resources.

O'Brien continues tour

Cape Town (Reuter) – Dr Conor Cruise O'Brien, the Irish academic, said yesterday he will continue with a tour of South Africa despite being driven from a lecture hall on Tuesday night by chanting students who accused him of defying a cultural boycott.

Dr O'Brien is in South Africa at the invitation of the University of Cape Town, where he has been lecturing on the politics of "siege societies" – Northern Ireland, Israel and South Africa.

Last night's lecture, a public meeting, was the first to be disrupted. He is due to give four more talks to students during the next week and expects more protests over his refusal to accept anti-apartheid calls for foreign academics to boycott South Africa.

● JOHANNESBURG: The leader of the Liberal Party, Mr David Steel, is to give a public lecture entitled "The Way to a Liberal revolution" at the University of Cape Town tonight.

Nato general's Gibraltar visit offends Spain

Spain yesterday expressed its "profound dislike" of the official two-day visit General Bernard Rogers, Nato's Supreme Commander in Europe, is presently making to Gibraltar.

Señor Francisco Fernández Ordóñez, the Foreign Minister, said he would be conveying his Government's feelings to Lord Carrington, the Secretary-General of Nato, indicating that Madrid had previously hinted it would regard such a visit "to the British colony of Gibraltar" as inopportune.

Norwegian heavy water 'behind Israeli bomb'

From Tony Samstag, Olso

Norwegian "heavy water", a prime objective of the occupying Germans during World War Two, may have given the Israelis the boost they needed to manufacture atomic weapons.

Mr Sverre Lodgaard, a scientist attached to the Peace Research Institute of Oslo and its Swedish equivalent, the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (Sipri), says that it was 20 tons of heavy water sold by the Norwegians in the early 1960s and a second shipment in 1970, that enabled Israel to get its nuclear reactor plant operational.

The first sale alone would have been enough to manufacture one atomic bomb a year.

The deal, agreed between the two governments after secret meetings in 1959, was struck after the Israelis had approached the United States and had turned down conditions for a sale which had included inspection of nuclear sites.

Mafia blamed for child's killing

Police in Sicily searching for clues in a Palermo street after an 11-year-old boy, Claudio Domino (right), was killed by a gunman on a motorcycle as he was playing outside his home. The gunman escaped (Reuter reports).

Police believe a Mafia vendetta was behind the shooting. They said that Claudio's father, who runs a cleaning firm with a contract at Palermo's high-security prison, was thought to have rejected demands from the Mafia.

Nearly 470 alleged Mafia members have been on trial since February in a specially-built prison courtroom on charges of extortion, drug-trafficking, almost a hundred murders, and other crimes.

A police spokesman said it was thought that Claudio's father had been asked about the ease with which people working for the cleaning company could gain access to the maximum security wing.

Witnesses to the shooting said the gunman had called Claudio by his name several times, and had then shot him in the head.

Belgrade jails American Albanian

From Dessa Trevisan, Belgrade

A Yugoslav Albanian with American citizenship, whose arrest has provoked an uproar in the US Senate , has been sentenced to seven years' imprisonment here on charges of taking part in peaceful secessionist demonstrations in the United States.

Mr Pier Ivezai, who emigrated from Yugoslavia 10 years ago, is said to have joined in demands that the troubled Kosovo region be granted independence from Yugoslavia and eventually absorbed by Albania.

Mr Ivezai was arrested when he arrived here to visit relatives.

He was found guilty of activities intent on overthrowing Yugoslavia's constitutional order and of active membership of an Albanian organization in the US which is actively propagating Kosovo's secession.

In Kosovo the situation remains uneasy.

Huge selection of names faces Unesco's board

From Diana Geddes, Paris

The executive board of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (Unesco), ended its month-long autumn session yesterday with no great achievements in the way of reforms. There was, nevertheless, a feeling of relief and renewed hope over the troubled organization's future after Mr Amadou M'Bow's surprise announcement that he would not be standing for a third term as Director-General.

Mr M'Bow, aged 65, who has been much criticized in the West for his autocratic leadership and poor management of the organization, explained his decision to leave as "a desire to make a positive contribution to the consolidation of relations of trust which must exist between all the members of the international community."

Mr M'Bow, a Senegalese, was unanimously elected Director-General in 1974 and again in 1980. He insisted that he had been in no way influenced by the "unjust attacks and pressures" to which he had been subjected over the past three years.

Indeed, he claimed that he had taken his decision not to stand again at the moment of his re-election six years ago.

If that were really so, he successfully managed to keep it from even his most intimate colleagues right up until his announcement at a closed session of the board on Monday. His announcement appeared to take everyone by surprise.

In a radio interview on Tuesday, Mr M'Bow said: "The facts have shown that those who wanted to kill off Unesco have not succeeded ... Despite the withdrawal of two member states (the United States and Britain), and despite the loss of a third of its resources, Unesco has become a strong organization."

Mr M'Bow, whose candidature for a third term had already won the public support of both the Organization of African Unity and the Arab League, insisted that no new director-general could be appointed "if the Third World, and in particular Africa, does not want him."

Mr Ivo Margan, the Yugoslav president of Unesco's executive board, will now write to the organization's 159 member states asking them to put forward, before next April 1, the names of candidates to succeed Mr M'Bow when his term comes to an end in November, 1987.

The list of candidates will be made public at the May session of the board, which will then choose a single candidate to be presented for election to the Unesco general conference the following November.

Among the names already being mooted are Prince Sadruddin Aga Khan, a former UN High Commissioner for Refugees; Señor Enriqué Iglesias, the Uruguayan Foreign Minister; Dr Butros Ghali, the Egyptian Foreign Minister; Mr Gough Whitlam, former Australian Prime Minister; Mr Kalevi Sorsa, the Finnish Prime Minister, who is said to have the backing of the Soviet Union; Mr Yasuchi Akachi, a senior Japanese official at the UN; and Senhor Vitor Sa Machado, a former Portuguese Foreign Minister and the only official candidate so far.

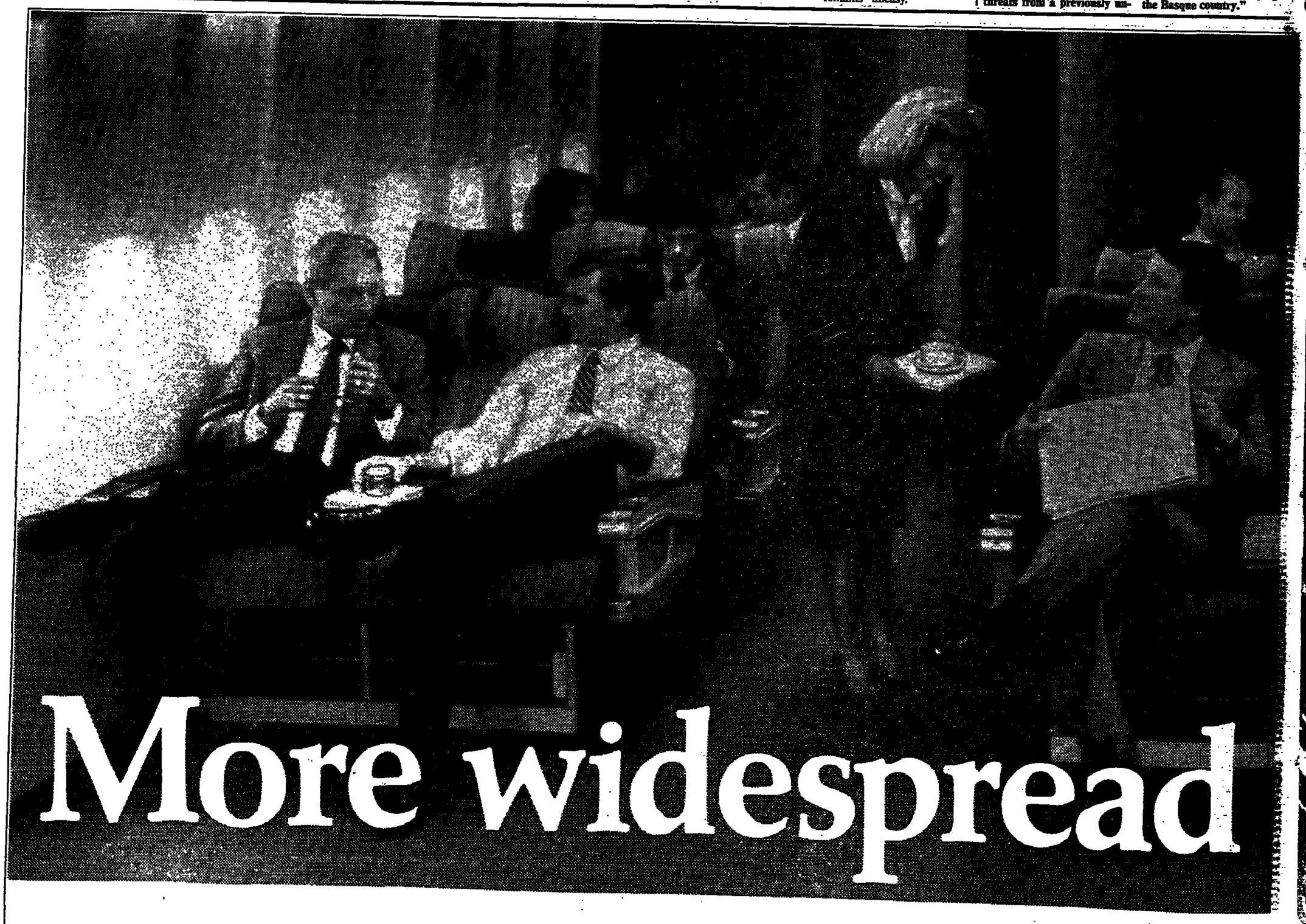
However, it is thought that as many as 30 or more names may eventually be put forward. Some observers do not rule out the possibility of new pressure being brought to bear on Mr M'Bow to change his mind should it prove impossible to reach agreement on any of the other candidates.

Britain and the US have both stated publicly that they never sought to personalize their criticisms of Unesco, and that Mr M'Bow's decision to withdraw would not mean that they would immediately seek to rejoin the organization.

Britain and the US would like fundamental reforms of Unesco's management and programme of activities.

Death threats on Bilbao judge

Madrid – A Spanish woman magistrate and a leading judge, both serving in Bilbao, were under police protection yesterday after receiving death threats from a previously unknown extreme right-wing organization (Richard Wigg writes). Judge Juan Belloch told a popular radio programme: "I shall be staying in the Basque country."



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Police build-up in Gaza as Arabs protest at killings

From Ian Murray, Jerusalem

Hundreds of Arab workers stayed away from their jobs in the coastal town of Ashkelon, and hundreds of extra police were drafted in yesterday afternoon, for the funeral of a taxi driver from the town whose throat was cut on Tuesday in Gaza.

Only 10 days earlier, another Ashkelon resident was stabbed to death in Gaza. The two incidents have led to violent anti-Arab demonstrations in the town, apparently inspired by right-wing nationalist Jewish groups.

Yesterday, by pure coincidence, there were long-planned ceremonies for the opening of two new Jewish settlements for 25 families in the Gaza Strip at which the guest of honour was Mr David Levy, the Housing Minister, and a strong contender as next leader of the Likud faction.

He called for calm by the people, but promised "an iron fist" policy by the Army against terror in the area — a phrase with a particularly ominous ring to it.

There are now around 2,000 Jews living in 15 settlements in the Gaza Strip, but because of the two killings Mr Reuven Rosenblatt, chairman of the Jewish Settlement Council for the Gaza area, issued a call for more settlers.

"If the Government claims this as a part of Israel and many Jews come here, the Arabs will not kill us," he said.

"We give hope to the Arabs that if they kill Jews we will go away. If we give them such hope they will kill us more and more. We must show the Arabs that killing will not put us out of here."

He said that if the Army wanted, the settlers would help it to patrol the Gaza region. Mr Yitzhak Rabin, the Defence Minister, promised after a visit to the sites of the two murders that the Army would clamp down on "terror by the knife". But he warned that Israelis should be careful about going on their own to certain places.

The Mayor of Ashkelon, Mr Eli Dayan, tried to calm the anger and joined the family of the murdered taxi driver. Mr Yisrael Kitaro, in calling for the outside political agitators not to use the funeral for their own ends.

"We must make a difference between the terrorists we have to pursue and bring to court, and the innocent people who want to live with us in peace," he said.

A memorial plaque, unveiled only last week, renaming the main square of Ashkelon in memory of King Muhammed V of Morocco, has already had to be removed "for repairs".

It had been daubed, hammered and attacked with a pneumatic drill within hours of a ceremony led by a much-booed Mr Shimon Peres to unveil the plaque on the day after the earlier fatal stabbing in Gaza of Mr Haim Azran. Since then, activists have tried to put up signs renaming the square after Mr Azran.

In his farewell speech as Prime Minister to the Knesset on Tuesday, Mr Peres claimed Israel had now entered "a new era of mutual tolerance".

A few hours later, the centre of Jerusalem was brought to a standstill for two hours as thousands of right-wing demonstrators pressed their case for the release of six members of the so-called "Jewish underground" who have been jailed for terrorist attacks against Arabs.

A long debate in the Japanese Parliament on denationalizing the railways proved too much for Mr Yasuhiro Nakasone, the Prime Minister, left, and his deputy, Mr Shin Kanemaru, yesterday, both of whom dropped off to sleep.

Iran mob attacks embassy

Bonn (Reuter) — West Germany protested to Iran yesterday over an attempt by several hundred protesters to storm the West German Embassy in Tehran, the Foreign Ministry said.

The West German chargé d'affaires in Tehran called at the Foreign Ministry to lodge the protest while Iran's Ambassador to Bonn was summoned to the Foreign Ministry.

The spokesman said the protesters tried to smash down the main door to the embassy before withdrawing. Iran distanced itself from the attack and promised an investigation.

The attack, in which the protesters shouted "Revenge for Frankfurt", followed violence at the Frankfurt Book Fair between rival Iranian groups last week.

The trouble in Frankfurt involved staff of an official Iranian stand and opponents of Ayatollah Khomeini who were running a bookstall outside the fair.

● BASRA: Iranian gunners shelled Basra yesterday for the fourth day, rousing the million residents with a 20-minute pre-dawn salvo (Reuter reports). Shells rained down at the rate of two a minute.

Brief Beirut unity in tribute

From Robert Fisk, Beirut

For a brief but impressive moment Beirut's divided communities united yesterday when Christian Phalangist militiamen formed an honour guard beside the coffin of the Sunni sheikh who was murdered by gunmen in the western sector of the city.

The militiamen, in drab olive green uniforms, presented arms as the cortège carrying Sheikh Sobhi Saleh crossed the front line into east Beirut on its way to Tripoli.

It was a rare — perhaps unique — display of common grief in Lebanon for a man whose compassion and moderation were admired by Christians and Muslims alike. Sheikh Saleh, who was the second most important Sunni cleric in the country, had consistently opposed the extreme demands of Muslim religious leaders, which may be why he was killed on Tuesday.

As the predominantly Muslim community in the west of the city observed a general strike, Christian church bells tolled in the east. When the cortège made its way through the city, Christians closed their shops in sympathy.

The Phalangist newspaper, *al-Amal*, mourned the sheikh, referring to him as "a symbol of national unity and an advocate of dialogue between the Lebanese factions".

The Lebanese Communist Party, condemning the murder as a "cowardly crime", claimed it was intended to encourage extremist religious demands the sheikh opposed.

Sadly, and predictably, the uncommon unity collapsed after the dead sheikh had been taken across the front line when sniper fire crackled around the museum crossing point through which his cortège had passed only two hours earlier. The few motorists there — including at least one Western diplomat — had to drive away at high speed.

The city's newspapers yesterday carried a demand by an extremist group for the murder of a French journalist hostage in Lebanon. In what must be among the most horrible messages of its kind, the Armenian Secret Army for the Liberation of Armenia asked the pro-Iranian Islamic Jihad movement to kill M Jean-Paul Kauffmann, a reporter for the weekly *L'Evénment du Jeudi*, as a "memorial gift" to mark the visit of Mr Shimon Peres, the Israeli Prime Minister, to France.

Mrs Sutherland: sensing the moment for discussions.

The message, which is unlikely to have any effect on Islamic Jihad, raised serious questions about the role of news agencies in west Beirut which regularly publish extremist statements.

To distribute the messages and conditions of these groups is one thing, but to pass on demands for the murder of a hostage — as news agencies did on Tuesday — is quite another. As usual, the agencies requested that their names should not be included in news reports.

The wife of another hostage yesterday offered to mediate between the American Government and Islamic Jihad for the release of three kidnapped Americans.

Mrs Jean Sutherland, whose husband Thomas, the acting Dean of Agriculture at the American University, was abducted in west Beirut in June last year, said she "sensed a clear readiness by the two sides to discuss demands".

Swedish reshuffle

Cabinet reward for nuclear 'minister'

From Tony Samstag, Oslo

The Swedish Government has used an otherwise routine Cabinet reshuffle, earlier this week, to reward Mrs Birgitta Dahl, the dynamic and popular Minister of Environment and Energy, for what is generally regarded as a brilliant performance in the chaotic aftermath of the Chernobyl disaster earlier this year.

Despite her title, Mrs Dahl, who was 49 last month, formerly operated "without portfolio", in effect as a junior minister, under the Ministry of Industry.

Now she has been given a ministry of her own in a move that reflects not only her personal achievements, but also the seriousness with which the Government is now forced to take environmental issues, particularly the now urgent need to dismantle the country's nuclear power programme.

Sweden voted in a referendum in 1980 to phase out the use of nuclear power by the year 2010. The explosion at Chernobyl not only scuppered rising hopes in the nuclear industry that the voters might be persuaded to change their minds in the meantime; it also rendered the 24-year phase-out period unacceptably long.

"It took just a day, or half a day at least, to recognize what was going on at Chernobyl and its likely effects on Sweden," a Government spokesman told *The Times* yesterday. "Mrs Dahl took command of the situation immediately and has remained in charge of the difficult turnabout in policy after the decision to dismantle the nuclear power programme as quickly as possible."

The Government hopes to set a new target date next month for what Mrs Dahl has described as the "unprecedented" task of building "a completely new energy system" to replace the electricity, estimated at up to 50 per cent of Sweden's needs, that will be lost when no fewer than 12 nuclear power plants are shut down.

Mrs Dahl's appointment is by far the most significant of a handful necessitated by the retirement of Mr Svante Lundqvist as Minister of Agriculture. A new junior ministry for youth, sport and tourism has also been created

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Chiang says Taiwan to lift martial law

Hong Kong — (AFP) — President Chiang Ching-kuo, of Taiwan has said his Government will soon propose the lifting of martial law, which has been in force since 1949.

Mr Chiang, eldest son of late president Chiang Kai-shek, was quoted by the *International Herald Tribune* as having told *The Washington Post* that the move would mean an end to trials of civilians in military courts and the removal of restrictions on personal freedoms. The decision to lift martial law came from a long standing desire to democratize Taiwan and improve economic conditions, the President said.

Cordon stops Bangladesh boycott rally

From Ahmed Fazl
Dhaka

Police in Bangladesh yesterday disrupted a public rally called by Sheikh Hasina Wazed, the opposition leader, in the town of Rajshahi, about 250 miles north of Dhaka, opposition sources said.

About 20 people were arrested as police cordoned off the rally venue in the university town preventing Sheikh Hasina and other leaders from entering Rajshahi, they said.

The rally was organized by Awami League, the main partner in the eight-party alliance, which is opposing next week's presidential polls.

Chinese peace pledge

Cairo (AP) — The Chinese Deputy Premier, Mr Li Peng, indicated yesterday that China would be glad to take part in an international conference on peace in the Middle East.

Mr Li told reporters here that he had discussed the Middle East situation during talks with President Mubarak.

Asked whether Peking would take part, Mr Li replied: "We support all proposals which can lead to a peaceful settlement for the Middle East problem, as long as they bring a just and acceptable solution to the Palestinian issue."

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Mozambique troops in battle with rebels expelled from Malawi

From A Correspondent, Harare

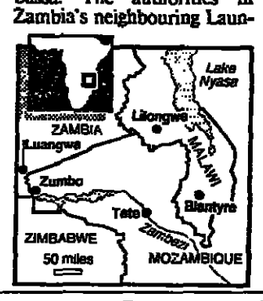
Thousands of members of the right-wing Mozambique Resistance Movement have recently crossed into Mozambique with their weapons after receiving an expulsion order from President Banda of Malawi, Zimbabwe's semi-official daily newspaper, *The Herald*, reported yesterday.

The newspaper quoted official sources as saying heavy fighting was taking place between Mozambique troops and Renamo rebels in Tete province, with more than 500 civilian refugees fleeing into neighbouring Zambia.

Expulsion of the rebels, referred to as "bandits" by the Zimbabwean news media, follows a summit meeting in Blantyre last month when President Machel of Mozambique, President Kaunda of Zambia, and the Zimbabwean Prime Minister, Mr Robert Mugabe, demanded decisive action against cross-border hideouts.

"Officials have pointed out that the bandits were not handed over to the Mozambican authorities, an action that would have conformed with the demands that Malawi cease supporting the bandits," the *Herald* report said.

The wave of rebel infiltration in the past few days was said to be "wreaking havoc" in Mozambique's border areas, with a major Renamo build-up taking place near the town of Zumbo, close to the headwaters of Lake Cabora Bassa. The authorities in Zambia's neighbouring Luangwa district say 128 families, numbering 553 people, have so far crossed the border to escape the fighting.

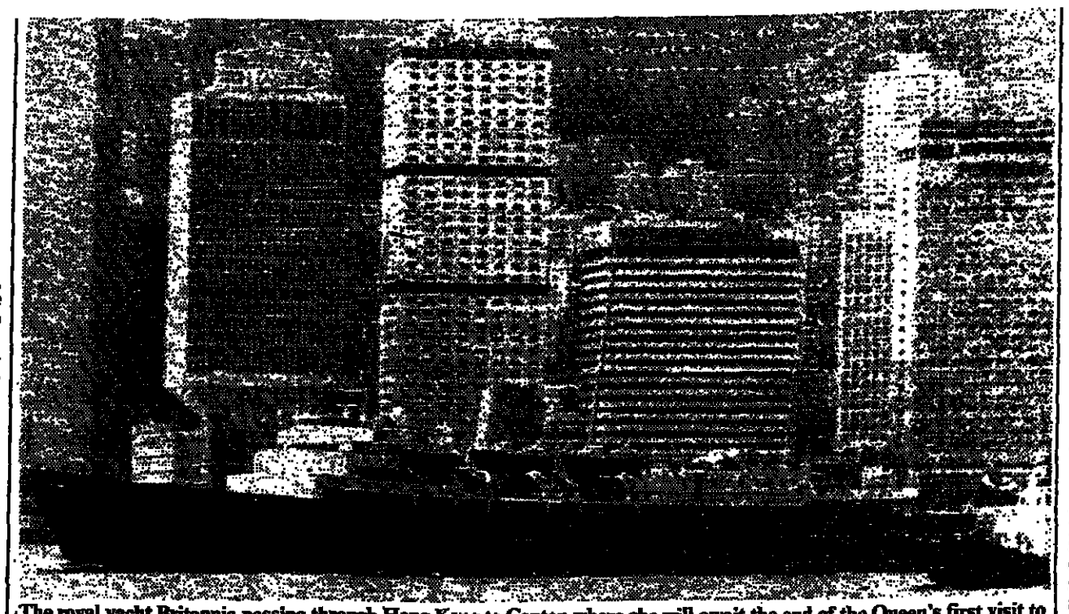


The Herald questions whether the expelled rebels represent the entire Renamo force based in Malawi, or a token number intended to give the impression that President Banda is complying with the demands of the frontline states' leaders. After meeting President Banda in Blantyre, President Machel threatened to blockade landlocked Malawi and move his Soviet-supplied rockets up to their common border if Renamo infiltration continued.

Malawi, which is the only member of the Organization of African Unity to maintain full diplomatic ties with South Africa, denies giving the Mozambican rebels sanctuary or support. South Africa pledged to cut off aid to Renamo under its 1984 Nkomati accord, which it has continually been accused of violating.

Museveni faces threat from within

Nairobi — Uganda, 24 years independent today, faces the possibility of elements within the Government of President Museveni and some army officers supporting rebels (Charles Harrison writes). *New Vision*, the Government newspaper says a group being held on treason charges — including three ministers and other politicians — had plotted during the past six weeks in a Kampala suburb to overthrow the Government and some officers tried to defect to them or to sabotage efforts to overcome rebel attacks.



The royal yacht Britannia passing through Hong Kong to Canton where she will await the end of the Queen's first visit to communist China and bring her back to the crown colony. The Queen is leaving for China on Sunday.

Mogadishu to restore links with Kremlin

From Charles Harrison, Nairobi

The Foreign Minister of Somalia, Mr Abdurahman Jama Barre, said in Mogadishu yesterday that he and the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr Eduard Shevardnadze, had agreed that their countries should restore the links which existed before 1977, when the Soviet Union backed Ethiopia in driving an invading Somali army out of Ethiopia's Ogaden desert region.

The two ministers met in New York last week while attending the United Nations General Assembly.

Although formal diplomatic relations were never broken, Somalia renounced its friendship treaty with the Soviet Union in 1977 and later gave the United States the use of the Soviet-built port and air installations at Berbera, on the Gulf of Aden.

Air crew bid for control over unruly passengers

Sydney (AP) — Airline cabin crews, worried about safety on long flights, should be allowed to use handcuffs and tranquilizers on unruly passengers, an Australian International Cabin Crew Association official said yesterday.

Mr Anthony Tudehope made the suggestions to a parliamentary committee which is looking into airline security following reports from the association and some airlines of an increased number of in-flight incidents.

He cited one incident where a passenger on a flight from Bahrain to London "overreacted" to a request by poking one flight attendant in the eye, punched a second and struck a third in the face.

"Unless we get some better control of passengers on board the aircraft who become aggressive and violent ... someone's going to be seriously injured," he said.

Top Soviet graft detective threatened

From Christopher Walker
Moscow

As Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, the Soviet leader, intensified his fight against corruption, a Soviet criminal investigator disclosed that he and his family had received threats of violence from high-ranking officials whom he was interrogating on suspicion of corruption.

The admission, printed in the weekly supplement of *Izvestia*, was one of the first public acknowledgements that senior officials faced with criminal proceedings had resorted to physical threats against the detectives trying to bring them to book.

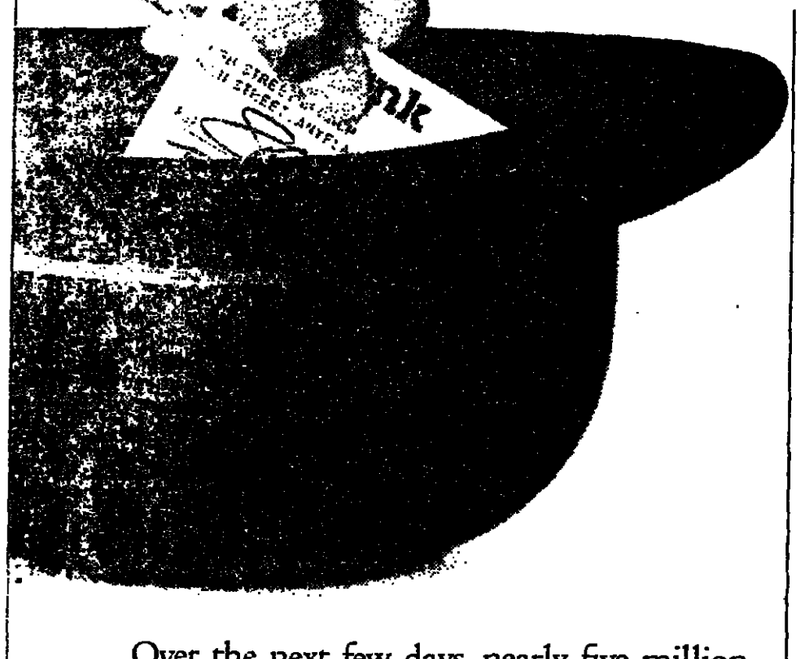
Mr Vladimir Kalinichenko, a senior investigator at the state prosecutor's office, said he had taken the threats so seriously that he was now driving his daughter every morning up to the gates of her school.

"I explained to her that this was being done not because daddy was snooty, but out of necessity," he stated.

"It cannot be excluded that those who committed especially grave and dangerous crimes will see the main threat to their well-being in an investigator, and will go to extremes," he added.

Asked if officials sometimes hinted that they had patrons in high places, he said: "This is subsiding now."

After the TSB lottery, some good news for the runners up.



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Weinberger in China

US supports the 'middle kingdom'

From Robert Grieves, Peking

In an interview conducted by ABC News in Peking on Wednesday, Mr Caspar Weinberger, the US Defence Secretary, pledged continued American military support for China's "equidistant" foreign policy between the two superpowers.

Mr Weinberger, who is in China for a week's visit, said that the US had already signed numerous technological agreements with China "involving such things as large calibre artillery ammunition, defensive systems, logistical systems, communications systems, things of that kind that will help them defend their country."

He added: "And we're going to continue to do this to whatever extent the Chinese people would like us to. We think the security and sovereignty of China is an enormously important factor in the security of the world."

Asked if he thought China's foreign policy would, "over the long haul" be equidistant to both the United States and the Soviet Union, or if it would lean more towards the US, Mr Weinberger replied: "They are, after all, the Middle Kingdom, so it would not be amiss if they were equidistant from everybody."

Asked if he thought the ninth round of high level Sino-Soviet talks now underway in Peking posed a threat to developing ties between the US and China, Mr Weinberger replied: "I don't think these talks have been a threat because the Soviets have shown no movement toward removing the three obstacles that the Chinese quite properly say stand in the way of a better relationship."

The three obstacles cited by the Chinese are the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, Soviet support for the Vietnamese invasion of Cambodia, and the deployment of Soviet divisions on the Sino-Soviet border.

In a 3½-hour working session on Wednesday with Mr Zhang Aiping, China's Defence Minister, Mr Weinberger discussed those issues as well as the deployment of Soviet missiles in Asia and the growth of the Soviet Pacific fleet.

Today Mr Weinberger is scheduled to meet Mr Deng Xiaoping, China's paramount leader.

Mr Weinberger: vow to continue support.

Peking seeks more ties with North Koreans

From Our Own Correspondent, Peking

In the wake of its participation in the Asian Games in South Korea, China is seeking to strengthen its diplomatic ties with North Korea, according to Western diplomats in Peking.

"The North Koreans are unhappy that China, for the first time, sent five plane-loads of athletes directly to Seoul," a diplomat said yesterday.

"Even though permission to do so took the Chinese months to negotiate, the North Koreans believe that they have been betrayed by Peking."

China's overtures to Pyongyang have come as Moscow attempts to woo Mr Kim Il Sung, North Korea's President, with offers of military assistance.

At stake for China is the political and military stability of the Korean peninsula. In the past five years, Peking has made efforts to step up its modest two-way trade with South Korea while it maintains good diplomatic relations with North Korea.

The new Soviet courtship of North Korea threatens to upset China's diplomatic balancing act, the sources said.

"The North Koreans have consistently denied that the Russians are influencing them, but the Chinese do not seem to believe it," said another diplomat.

Both China and the Soviet Union signed treaties of mutual co-operation and friendship with North Korea in 1961, at the time of the Sino-Soviet break. Earlier, China had supported North Korea during the Korean War.

This year, Pyongyang has begun to alllow Soviet aircraft to overfly its territory and in July allowed Soviet naval vessels to tie up at the North Korean port of Nampo during ceremonies marking 25 years of friendly diplomatic ties between the two countries.

In exchange, Moscow has sent Mig 23 fighters to Pyongyang. Details of direct military sales, if any, involving the two countries were not immediately available.

During the July celebrations in Pyongyang, Soviet and Chinese delegations reportedly vied to win the favour of Mr Kim.

"The Chinese delegation was more senior in rank, but the Soviets were prepared to talk about substantive military issues," said a foreign observer in Peking.

On Tuesday, President Li returned to Peking from a four-day goodwill trip to Pyongyang.

On Wednesday, the official *People's Daily* published half a page of pictures showing crowds of Koreans greeting Mr Li, and of Mr Li and Mr Kim riding together through Pyongyang.

During Mr Li's visit, he and Mr Kim discussed North Korea's seventh five-year plan, the Vietnamese occupation of Kampuchea and peace talks with Seoul, according to the *People's Daily*.

China has supported North Korea's attempt to set up talks involving the military commanders of North Korean and South Korean forces, as well as the commander of American forces in South Korea.

To date, the United States and South Korea have refused to attend such talks.

Talks between North and South Korea on sharing the 1988 Olympic Games are likely to reopen later this year, Mr Juan Samaranch of the International Olympic Committee said yesterday (Reuter reports from Tokyo).

THE ARTS

Where the news has to be good

TELEVISION

The first of two reports on the cultural revolution of television in China, *Behind the Bamboo Screen* (BBC2), nibbled doggedly at its material, with David Jessel interviewing Beijing's answer to Penny Junor and soliciting local opinion on the role that television might conceivably play in criticizing the Party. It came as no surprise that, in this land of monolithic moralism and depressing optimism, 80 per cent of television news has to be "good" news: heroic firemen tackle blaze; increased productivity in factories; birth of another panda.

The death of a zoo presented Sid Jenkins with his last case in *Animal Squad* (BBC1), a series which has served to parade the deplorable sentimentality of the English. Mr Jenkins had a fortnight in which to "rehome" the inmates of Knaresborough Zoo; finally, four of them were "rehomed" in a builders' skip after lethal injections. As, though in feral solidarity, a wild mink broke into the zoo and had to be chased out.

The Life and Loves of a She Devil (BBC2) introduced a wild minx of a wronged wife hellbent on prising her husband from the clutches of a romantic novelist. One never really knows with Fay Weldon whether she is sending herself up: her characters tend to resemble people in books more than they do people in life. Crisply filmed though it is, the present adaptation flirts with Mills and Boon clichés in a pretty fruitless way, leaving the impression of a failed comedy. The first meeting between the lovers was handled with amazing clumsiness, and it is going to be hard work caring about the "sexual suicide" of the marriage.

Perhaps they should have consulted the brace of cooing sex therapists in *The Trouble with Sex* (BBC2), a stringently unsalacious new series on the experts for whom human beings are (no kidding) "resources for lovemaking". Last night, an actor playing a husband troubled with impotence was taught "sensate focus" therapy with an actress playing his wife. Someone somewhere may indeed have benefited from the advice proferred, but the programme's prime achievement will surely have been to encourage viewers in wanting to caress naked actors or actresses.

Martin Cropper

The search for peace against imperious villainy: Placido Domingo (right) in his new interpretation of Otello with Sherrill Milnes's Iago

Domingo scores a rare century

Otello
Music Center, Los Angeles

OPERA

When Placido Domingo sang his first Otello, in Hamburg in the early Seventies, not even the sagest of the sage could have predicted that his hundredth stage appearance in the part would take place in Los Angeles. In those days LA was virtually a town without opera, at least on an international level, and the last time it could boast a major resident company was back in the Thirties.

Then in 1982 the *Falstaff* under Giulini, co-produced with Covent Garden, gave it a taste for the real thing. Visits from the Royal Opera and then the Deutsche Oper, Berlin, whetted the palate further. And this week the Music Center Opera Association has its inaugural season: with new productions of *Otello* and *Salome* (by Sir Peter Hall) to follow. Grand opera is back in town.

And in Tinseltown, a city not lacking expertise when it comes to bankable stars, it is advisable to go for the top, even if you do not happen to be making movies. The top at the moment is Domingo's Otello. That hundredth performance was to have been in Chicago, but the Mexican earthquake put paid to that. So to LA goes the honour: it is one well worth acquiring.

Domingo has not sung the part since making Franco Zeffirelli's film and, with his director, Götz Friedrich, has completely rethought the role. One of Domingo's supreme qualities is his refusal to trail an interpretation from house to house as a kind of visiting card. If his LA Otello is far from Zeffirelli's Catholic interpretation of a warrior who embraces an alien faith and then is forced to discard it, it is equally far from the raging bull that was seen Hamburg.

The Otello Domingo now gives us is the warrior tired of war and arms, who seeks repose in the bosom of his wife. Before the Love Duet begins he even sinks in fatigue on a convenient rock. She is his prop and, as Iago himself remarks at the start of Act II, his control: "Il Duce del nostro Duce". His downfall is that the prop is bit by bit knocked away from beneath him and without it Otello is finished — "Otello fu".

Domingo makes him a figure gaunt and weary in all but those outbursts of rage and emotion which he draws up from the well of his resources. And weary, of course, in all but voice. The tenor is back in shining quality, with perhaps less of the baritone timbre than before. Domingo now calls less on sheer volume and more on delicately shaped sound, often starting with the softest of notes. In Act III "Dio! mi potevi scagliar" began almost in a whisper, building up to its inevitable crescendo. This new Otello is a former man of war in search of peace, which he loses entirely when he is forced to put on his Moorish clothes once more to kill Desdemona.

Gabriela Benačkova, who was conveniently singing Jenufa up the coast in San Francisco before she does so in London, filled in that part at 48 hours' notice after the designated soprano, Daniela Dessi, pulled out through illness. By good fortune she fitted in with Domingo's middle-aged interpretation by providing a wife both sturdy and supportive — until she is forced to be otherwise. The creamy tones, rich and blessedly accurate, recalled Margaret Price. The Willow Song was delivered with exceptional vocal control, the Ave Maria a bit plummy.

If memory serves, Sherrill Milnes was Iago to Domingo's Otello in Hamburg. The voice took a little time to warm up and Act I found him squeezing out some of the notes. Later, using his height and presence and spurred by Domingo, this became an Iago of imperious villainy, at its best when trickling poison into Otello's ear in "Era la notte". Praise too for Jonathan Mack's Cassio, a golden boy with the right voice for a Fenton, should anyone be searching.

Götz Freidrich's production started stodgily, with unconvincing polythene waves coursing across the stage. The mood was too often Teutonic — soldiers who might have done a bit of mercenary work after the Thirty Years War — rather than Venetian-colonial. But when his three principals were at the centre of the action the touch was sure, despite a composite set by Günther Schneider-Siemssen, which proved oddly unmalleable for the scene changes — the opera was played with a single intermission — and until the final act none too atmospheric.

Lawrence Foster's players, basically the LA Chamber Orchestra augmented, were at their best in the most intimate passages of the score. They will have plenty of opportunites to show their paces now that opening-night nerves are over in *Butterfly* and *Salome*, of which more anon. Thanks to its singers and its general administrator, Peter Hemmings (former Scottish Opera, former LSO), the Music Center Opera has got off to a high-class start and the LA audience, which clearly has a taste for the big time they have been deprived of for so long in this field, were on their feet with applause within a moment of curtain-fall.

John Higgins

Central Ballet of China
Sadler's Wells

DANCE

Most of the second programme by the Chinese Ballet at Sadler's Wells consists of works created for the company. The one exception, Anton Dolin's *Variations for Four*, justifies its place by revealing the high quality of the male dancers. I cannot remember a better account of this bravura showpiece since the exceptional cast for whom it was made almost 30 years ago. Remounted in China by Dolin in 1983, not long before his death, it is built with spirit, style and nice clean technique by all four men. Zhao Minhua is outstanding in the last solo, with its tricky changes of tempo and manner.

The programme opens with part of the most famous Chinese ballet, *Red Detachment of Women*. Set during the Chinese civil war, it shows a slave girl, trying to escape from a cruel master, beaten and left for dead, but saved by revolutionary scouts who invite her to join the women's battalion that gives the ballet its name. Jiang Zuhui's staging is full of atmospheric detail, aided by Ma Yunghong's mysterious woodland setting. The bold miming of Wang Yanping as the girl, Zhu Yueping as her rescuer, and several nasty villians, has conviction, and this 20-minute extract left me wanting to see the rest of the ballet.

The most substantial offering is *The Maid of the Sea*, a ballet in two acts based on a Chinese folk-tale. It is a revised, condensed version of a work from the company's earliest days, supervised then by the Russian ballet-master Pyotr Gusev.

Presumably because of his influence, it has similarities with *The Humpbacked Horse*, a work that convinced 19th-century Russians of their ability to use national themes and dance traditions in ballet. This does the same for China, drawing on folk-dances (there is a delightfully comic number for four men with adaptable funny hats) and the acrobatics of the so-called Peking Opera.

The adventures of the hero, a hunter who rescues a sea-nymph from a mountain demon, include being plunged beneath the waves — cue for a pretty underwater ballet — temptation by a snake spirit (Xue Quinghua, whose arms undulate with seductive spite) and such demonic tricks as a colourful bouquet that suddenly turns black and noxious.

Zhang Weiqiang dances boldly as the hunter; Ou Lu relishes his diabolical and often funny possibilities as the demon; and Seng Ying dances beautifully, although lacking pathos, as the sea-maiden. The company as a whole impresses greatly.

John Percival

Ghosts
Young Vic

THEATRE

Wonderful though she is in the role, there are other good reasons for seeing this revival besides Vanessa Redgrave's performance of Mrs Alving.

Ibsen in mutton-chop whiskers may be a thing of the past, but previous encounters with *Ghosts* have persuaded me that it is a masterpiece more revered (not to say dreaded) than loved; and that, for all its incomparable plot structure and decorations of joy, the prevailing experience is of being shut up in an airless room amid the Norwegian darkness. Jonathan Miller's 1974 Greenwich production did something to banish the claustrophobia. But for sheer tonal and rhythmic variety, comedy, and the sight of characters escaping Ibsen's grip to lead their own lives, David Thacker's production comes as a great and unexpected gust of fresh air.

For a start, the text, adapted in rehearsal from Peter Watts's translation, cleaves perfectly to the character of each speaker and the changing moods of the play. One example must suffice. At the end of Act I, the off-stage giggles of Oswald and Regina evoke the ghost of the philandering Captain. In one standard translation Mrs Alving then has the line: "The couple in the conservatory — walk". Here, Miss Redgrave staggers as if about to faint, then says "The man and the woman are walking again". It is a moment of Jamesian horror.

In the text, so in the performance, everything is done to intensify and make explicit elements which are often relegated to the subtext: in forecasting Regina's hidden parentage in her seductive approaches to Manders, clarifying Engstrand's sanctimonious blackmail of the Pastor or dropping a hint (which even Ibsen left unexplored) that Manders rejected Mrs Alving as much through impotence as moral duty.

Mrs Alving and Manders can only be discussed in their relationship to each other; and, in Tom Wilkinson, Miss Redgrave has a partner of matching weight. Throughout, they pursue the double roles of priest and lapsed parishoner, and of failed lovers. The irony is that Mr Wilkinson has all the authority in the first department and Miss Redgrave all the authority in the second. There is a wonderful moment in Act II when she challenges his moral claims, and he collapses as a defeated private man putting up no resistance when she winds her arms around his neck.

The other long-distance irony is that Mrs Alving is clearly more gifted than he in the supposedly masculine world of business affairs; and, after submitting to his financial arrangements in the first act, she curtly gathers the papers together and dismisses him once the orphanage has burnt down.

Mr Wilkinson does not only strive to make Manders the bigot seem likeable. He chooses the subtler and more faithful course of presenting him as a hopelessly divided character; forcing himself into declarations of pious indignation which he is able to mouth thanks only to the gullible naivety which, in other circumstances, is one of his most his endearing traits.

The clue to Miss Redgrave's performance is its practicality. She is never an actress to discharge torrents of static emotion; when she welcomes an unwanted visitor with a bright smile, or makes her stony confession, or explodes into sudden anger, it is because she wants to make something happen. When it is done, she wipes the slate clean. And, when past tightens its grip on present, she alone remains down-to-earth.

Mrs Alving has gone through all this before in her ghastly marriage, and she knows how to keep up appearances. It is only when the news of Oswald's malady strikes home that we see her as the coward she claims to be: fleeing distracted over the set before being brutally captured by the doomed boy (Adrian Dunbar), and finally bending low to the floor, morphine in hand, in an ecstacy of irresolute grief.

Irving Wardle

Partners of great and matching weight: Tom Wilkinson and Vanessa Redgrave (photograph by Donald Cooper)

LPO/Haitink
Festival Hall

CONCERTS

Much as I admired André Previn's profusely pictorial interpretation of Vaughan Williams's *A London Symphony* a few weeks ago, it has been eclipsed — in my memory anyway — by Bernard Haitink's more profound reading here. Haitink has uncovered a dark, disturbed strain which one would hardly have believed the folky Vaughan Williams was capable of expressing — not before writing his startling Fourth Symphony, anyway.

Unusual signs were apparent early: in the hushed introduction Haitink gave dissonances uncommon weight, transforming simple contrapuntal astringencies into something foreboding. One sensed that the whole programmatic paraphernalia — "Bloomsbury Square in November", "distant sounds of the Strand", even the work's title — was going to be swept aside, exposed as another of Vaughan Williams's famous verbal smokescreens encoding his music's real emotional meaning.

The succeeding allegro intensified this feeling. Haitink, blending instrumental timbres masterfully, made something very sinister — even grotesque — of the *sul ponticelli* effects and muted-horn intrusions. The fast pace, the deliberately over-jaunty strut of the street tunes: it conveyed a brittle, rather callous city, and it set one musing over this work's origins. Although conceived before the First World War, it was extensively rewritten during that slaughter. The superficial chirpiness of even the "distant sounds of the Strand" had, in that time, been exposed as a cruel façade.

Haitink's shaping of this first movement decided his whole interpretation, which was persuasively implemented by the London Philharmonic Orchestra. The Nocturne had a similarly dangerous excitability: very swift (the rapport between strings and wind was excellently secure), conveying the feeling of time running out.

Then came the cry of anguish at the finale's beginning, the march-tune paced with immense sadness (played like this it certainly evoked the hunger-march that some say it depicts) and, near the end, a remarkable, quasi-Mahlerian emphasis on a high violin line, straining discordantly to escape from the march's sombre harmonic implications.

It would be difficult to find a more apt symbol for the social tragedy Vaughan Williams might have been expressing in *A London Symphony*.

Richard Morrison

Messiaen's new mementoes

Jennifer Bate
Westminster Cathedral

Cascading trenchantly into this great brick cavern on Tuesday night came Messiaen's most recently completed work, *Livre du Saint Sacrement*, performed with the unashamed positiveness, wide-ranging colour and sheer virtuosity one has come to associate with Jennifer Bate's organ-playing.

The work, given here for the first time in Britain, was set securely on what will clearly be a much-performed course, even if in future one is probably more likely to hear extracts than the whole thing. The 18 sections of the *Livre* lack the unity of Messiaen's preceding organ cycle, the Trinity meditations, and they are too many to cohere by contrast in the manner of *Les Corps glorieux* or the *Livre d'orgue*.

One is faced, rather, with a sequence of illustrations in the manner of *La Nativité du Seigneur*, and most of the movements return to earlier times in their simplicity of form and gesture. Although it lasts for close on two hours, the work is not a consummation of Messiaen's organ composing but rather a garland of mementoes.

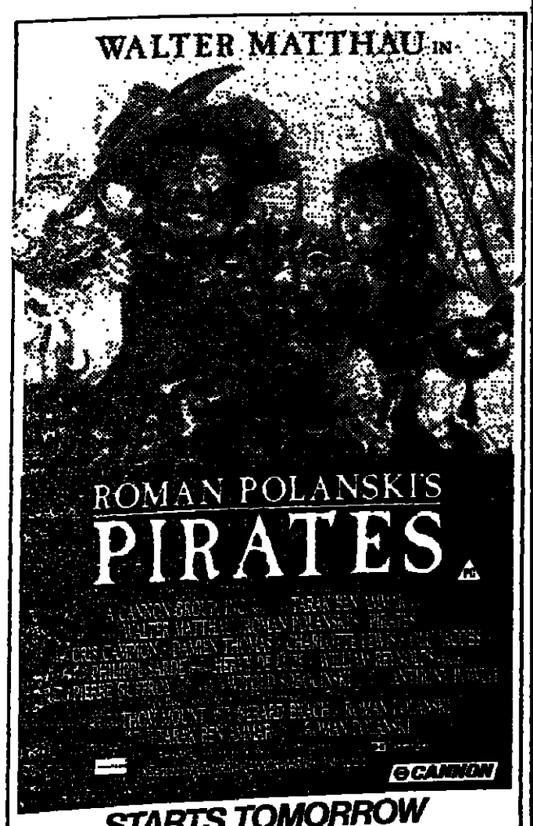
The larger design, with its mirroring "septenaries", as in the oratorio *La Transfiguration*, is a matter more of descriptive intention than of musical form. The first septenary concerns Christ's bodily life on earth, the second his continuing presence in the sacrament; and the whole is introduced by a group of four short movements concerned with the act of faith.

In executing this plan Messiaen has been led into areas he has touched only rarely: there is, most notably, a depiction of the Crucifixion in drilling sustained dissonances. But, much more commonly, the style and substance are familiar. There are bird-songs, all collected in the Holy Land, although their presence is relatively restrained except in one movement made up entirely of them ("The Joy of Grace").

There is a good deal of plainsong in the work, and of course great tracts of modal harmony, rampaging or still. "The Two Walls of Water", seeing God in the divided Red Sea and the split Host, will join the earlier showpieces in the virtuoso style Messiaen inherited from his master Dupré. "The Risen and the Light of Life" will make a gloriously barbaric exit processional, with its opening and closing fanfares for trumpets and immense contra-bassoons.

There is also a wordless sacred drama (on Christ's risen appearance to Mary Magdalen), besides the awesome chorales and timeless meditations that give this diverse work its main features.

Paul Griffiths



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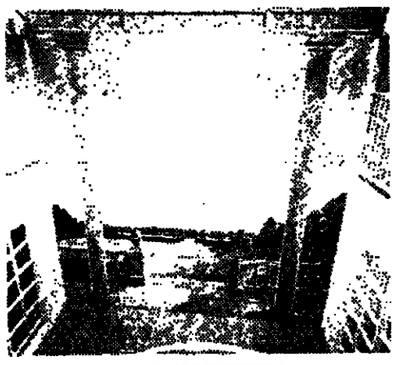

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THE GOOD SCHOOLS GUIDE

Part 4: Co-ed schools

The tide may be turning towards co-educational schools, but their objectives are often very different from those of the traditional single-sex colleges. In their new survey Amanda Atha and Sarah Drummond found more emphasis on character-forming than on academic success in the top 20 schools

We found much excited talk about co-education in the private boarding sector, though a wishy-washy approach to what it actually is. The definition of a co-ed school adopted by the Independent Schools Information Service (ISIS), the propaganda arm of the independent sector, is one with both sexes throughout and treated equally, although there is some talk of a minimum 25 per cent of whichever sex is thinner on the ground.

Boy/girl ratios vary wildly — from 240/32 at Rannoch to 172/173 at Bedales. At Bryanston, incidentally, where there are two boys to every girl, the head, Tom Wheare, said: "If parents ask why, I say that is the proportion of men to women in top management, in the sort of careers these pupils will eventually go in to."

The problem of boarding co-eds is far more complex than that of day co-eds, which are backed up by a long tradition in the maintained sector. Very few boarding schools started out with the intention of being co-ed. Wymondham was one and Millfield another. Even Bedales, founded in 1893 and the oldest, had three years with boys only. Many private co-eds were founded in response to a desire to break away from tradition and to be run along "progressive" lines.

The majority of the co-ed boarding schools we visited were boys' schools feeling the winds of change and most especially the chill winds of economic depression (particularly in Scotland, where buildings are harder to heat and converted co-eds come in high proportion). The logistics of putting the two sexes together are very complex — extra space, two sets of dorms, locks on lavatories, a sewing room, more tennis courts and staff with experience. Striking the balance between co-existence and full integration is difficult, but when it works, it is very much in demand.

In class there is a school of thought (pushed by girls' schools) that boys are more demanding, but we did not observe this to any startling extent. Having sat in on co-ed classes, we noticed that boys' voices tend to drown the girls', though this was more marked where girls had come in only at VIth form. We found girls at co-eds, like the boys, questioning, articulate and prepared to be challenged in class.

We found academic results to be lower compared with single-sex establishments, but the comparison is misleading because co-eds tend to be comprehensive in intake and genuinely keen to develop the whole person.

Out of class, the hands-on experience on a day-to-day basis can work up a fine head of steam. We found canoodling in rhododendrons, libraries and studies. Being constantly thrown together, argues the head of Wymondham, means they are not winding up to Saturday night. "Now it's breakfast, lunch and tea together — more *like* a family."

However, we did observe some intense relationships, which would have been kept at arms' length by post at single-sex establishments. We heard of far more messed-up A levels and other similar symptoms at boys' schools with VIth form girls. Heartaches, heartbreaks and friendships seemed to survive more readily at co-eds.

What stands out is that boys and girls co-existing were far more mature — and a good deal more natural — than their peers at single-sex schools. The girls, we noticed, are less giggly, more able to cope and more experienced in many fields, be it carpentry, handling a gun or electronics, than their sisters at all-girls schools. Boys seem far less likely to regard girls as sissies — or, for that matter, to stigmatize a boy weak at rugby but strong at art as a sissy.

Our impression is that despite huge demands put on heads and staff running successful co-ed schools, there are going to be more of them. Rumours are abroad about some of the most famous boys' schools toying with the idea — Marlborough, Westminster, Rugby — and as James Sabben-Clare, head of Winchester, observed: "Let's just say it's high on our list of priorities."

Bill Warhurst

Euan MacAlpine, headmaster of Bedales School: described as very popular, immensely charming, capable and warm

ALLEYN'S

DULWICH, LONDON SE22

Vital statistics

Pupils: 470 boys, 430 girls; all day; ages: 11-18. C of E. Fee-paying

Head: Mr D.A. Fenner (since 1979). Open-minded and approachable.
Academic matters: Realistic academic emphasis, with exam results solid rather than brilliant. Particularly strong on sciences — O level electronics about to be introduced.
Games, options, the arts: Two afternoons a week of sport; wide choice includes water polo and golf. Voluntary Combined Cadet Force. Impressive music and drama.
Background and atmosphere: Unpretentious late-Victorian main school flanked by purpose-built blocks. Accepted girls in 1975.
The pupils: Robust, energetic, very mixed socially.
Bottom line: £840 per term.
Remarks: Appreciated by parents who don't want their offspring set in a public school mould.

BEDALES

PETERSFIELD, HANTS

Vital statistics

Pupils: 172 boys, 173 girls; 299 board, 46 day; ages: 13-18. Non-denominational. Fee-paying.

Head: Mr Euan MacAlpine (since 1984). Very popular, immensely charming, direct, capable, warm.
Academic matters: Impressive, particularly considering less time is given for academic studies than at other schools. Staff committed to philosophy of educating the whole person. Small classes, non-competitive, no prizes etc.
Games, options, the arts: Justifiably famous for its arts and design centre work. Music outstanding. Drama wildly popular. Enthusiasm for games patchy.
Background and atmosphere: Extremely informal (all staff, including head, called by Christian names).
The pupils: Mixed bag — much loved by the theatre world, media people, lots of divorced parents, smattering of royals (Lord Linley and Lady Sarah Armstrong-Jones), strongly international flavour. Fairly polite, very uninhibited.
Bottom line: £2,100 per term.
Remarks: A one-off: exceptionally happy balanced individuals (though not bully-free).

BRYANSTON

BLANDFORD FORUM, DORSET

Vital statistics

Pupils: 400 boys, 200 girls; ages: 13-18. C of E. Fee-paying.

Head: Mr Tom Wheare (since 1983). Civilized, humorous.
Academic matters: High ratio of staff to pupils. Self-motivation is the key, so a pupil has to organize much of his/her own timetable. (Universities find Bryanstonians far better prepared than most public school products.) Modern languages especially strong.
Games, options, the arts: Exceptional. Outstanding music; drama a speciality (stupendously equipped theatre). Arts disappointing; building project underway for CDT centre. Rugby strong, minor sports — forestry, orienteering, adventure training — very popular.
Background and atmosphere: Exceptionally friendly atmosphere. Remarkably uninstitutional, despite a highly-structured work system.
The pupils: High proportion of London-based communicators (writers, journalists) among parents.
Bottom line: £2,125 per term boarding.
Remarks: "Even if we insisted on left-handed redheads, we'd still be oversubscribed," the head says. Particularly good for oddballs.

BURFORD

BURFORD, OXFORDSHIRE

Vital statistics

Pupils: 600 boys, 500 girls; approx 100 board, approx 1,000 day; ages: 11-18. Inter-denominational. State. Full name Burford School and Community College

Head: Mr Derek Glover (since 1972). Quiet, firm manner.
Academic matters: First year consists of mixed ability, thereafter setting in every subject. "Maths and sciences very good."
Games, options, the arts: Good rugby team. Compulsory games until VIth form. Large, attractive playing fields. Own farm breeds Jersey cattle, goats, pigs, etc.
Background and atmosphere: Founded in 1571 and a grammar school until 1954. Reasonably attractive front buildings hide a lot of temporary cabins at the back; new building underway.
The pupils: "A real social mix," said the head, from local working class to children of wealthy farmers.
Remarks: An outstanding comprehensive offering as many subjects and choices as one might find in many independent schools.

CHRIST'S HOSPITAL

HORSHAM, SUSSEX

Vital statistics

Pupils: 650 boys, 220 girls; all day; ages: 11-18. C of E. Fee-paying.

Head: Mr L. G. D. Baker. (Mr R. C. Poulton, currently head of Wycliffe College, from January 1987.)
Academic matters: Very good A level record. Last year 93 per cent passed, with a third getting grade A.
Games, options, the arts: Strong music tradition — the school band leads the Lord Mayor's Procession in London every year.
Background and atmosphere: Founded in 1552 for the education of London's sick and poor, moved to 1,200 Sussex acres in 1902. Fairly bleak surroundings, and boys have to wear floor-length blue coats, black breeches and saffron stockings, virtually unaltered since Tudor times.
The pupils: Will only consider children whose parents cannot afford boarding school fees.
Bottom line: Fees assessed according to income.
Remarks: Traditional and unusual.

FETTES COLLEGE

EDINBURGH

Vital statistics

Pupils: 290 boys, 160 girls; 380 board, 70 day; ages: 13-18. Non-denominational. Fee-paying.

Head: Mr Cameron Cochrane (since 1979). Gave one of best replies to the Q: "What do you think you are doing here?" A: "I hope to encourage them (the pupils) to be themselves."
Academic matters: English strong, art excellent. Labs considered inadequate, though school is traditionally strong in science.
Games, options, the arts: Strong at rugby, cricket. Girls do their bit on the lacrosse field. Boys and girls do five terms compulsory CCF. Heavily into outward bound but fat, lazy pupils also flourish.
Background and atmosphere: Huge St Pancras station-type building, built in 1870 on 100 acres of prime Edinburgh real estate.
The pupils: Staff and pupils dead ringers for *The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie*. 60 per cent local, 20 per cent from the rest of UK and 20 per cent from overseas. Old boys include Iain Macleod and James Bond.
Bottom line: £1,930 per term boarding, £1,300 day (includes lunch and dinner).
Remarks: Major Scottish public school in the English tradition, in transition and aiming to offer all things to all people. Mixed reports.

FRAMLINGHAM COLLEGE

FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK

Vital statistics

Pupils: 424 boys, 76 girls; 350 board, 150 day; ages: 13-19. C of E. Fee-paying.

Head: Mr Laurie Rimmer (since 1971). Approachable, positive, kind, no patience with bureaucracy.
Academic matters: Mixed. Reckons to do particularly well with "middle range boy or girl" who, if they had gone to an academic school, might have been sunk.
Games, options, the arts: Games compulsory and excellent. Hockey and cricket good. CCF voluntary but quite keen. Young Farmers' Club always popular.
Background and atmosphere: Founded in 1864. Fine setting overlooking Framlingham Castle.
The pupils: Healthy, happy, energetic. Manners not polished.
Bottom line: £1,560 per term boarding, £1,002 day.
Remarks: You could go further, pay more and fare worse.

FRENSHAM HEIGHTS

ROWLEDGE, SURREY

Vital statistics

Pupils: Approx 130 boys, 140 girls; 180 board, 90 day; ages: 10-18. Non-denominational. Fee-paying.

Head: Mr A.L. Pattinson (since 1973). Very strong character, formerly Benedictine monk. Serious, dignified, with quiet sense of humour. Wows the mothers. Previous incumbent left amidst blaze of bad publicity over drugs. Against aggressive opposition, he introduced compulsory lessons, morning and evening prep, and removed pupil power.
Academic matters: With 1:7 staff/pupil ratio, academic achievement consistently high. Competition discouraged but "nobody looks down on you if you work hard".
Games, options, the arts: Games enjoyed for own sake rather than for any competitive edge but pupils excel at karate — somewhat to dismay of head.

Glenalmond
Glenalmond College, Perthshire, has 390 boys, not 190 as stated on Tuesday.

Background and atmosphere: Beautiful grounds, magnificent views, school is now an oasis of peace and calm, with large, imposing Edwardian house at its centre.
The pupils: Articulate, unpretentious and very friendly — "no two accents the same," some remarked. Thirty-five per cent expats.
Bottom line: £1,939 per term boarding, £1,165 day.
Remarks: Alternative public school for liberal-minded parents.

GRESHAM'S

HOLT, NORFOLK

Vital statistics

Pupils: Approx 315 boys, 94 girls; approx 308 board, 116 day. C of E. Fee-paying.

Head: Mr Hugh Wright (since 1985), considered a good egg in academic circles.
Academic matters: Modest about academic achievement but out of 89 A level candidates only two "failed to get an A level pass". Strongest department: maths. Physics, chemistry and biology also good; modern languages mediocre.
Games, options, the arts: Definitely a games school. Strongest in outward bound and shooting.
Background and atmosphere: Founded 1555. Set in 170 acres of beautiful North Norfolk landscape. Very hot on discipline.
The pupils: Charming. Nearly all sons/daughters of local farmers, accountants, lawyers etc.
Bottom line: Fees: £1,947 per term full boarding, £1,858 weekly boarding, £1,400 day.
Remarks: Unusual and rather smart country public school in a quiet, old-fashioned sort of way.

HOLLAND PARK

LONDON W8

Vital statistics

Pupils: 1,600+ boys and girls; all day; ages: 11-18. Non-denominational. State.

Head: Mrs Margaret Pringle (appointed 1986).
Academic matters: Much sensitive thought has been devoted to creating a stimulating syllabus relevant to all ability ranges but there exists a great deal of unresolved discussion about academic education and achievement of bright (as opposed to brilliant) children.
Background and atmosphere: Best known of London's comprehensives with exceptional facilities in a glorious setting.
The pupils: Intake encompassing precocious offspring of inherited wealth, children of parents with deep commitment to comprehensive education, and children from areas of severe deprivation.
Remarks: A bracing, tolerant, multi-racial community.

KING ALFRED

LONDON NW11

Vital statistics

Pupils: 224 boys, 203 girls; all day; ages 4-18. Non-denominational. Fee-paying.

Head: Mr Francis Moran (since 1973), previously head of English at Eton. Shows an aptitude for fund-raising.
Academic matters: Most students stay for A levels (83 per cent rate is normal). Arts subjects flourish. New computer lab: "The aim is computer literacy for all".
Games, options, the arts: Sport is compulsory until the IVth form.
Background and atmosphere: Well-known progressive school, established in 1897, in a spreading green campus near Golders Green.
The pupils: Bejeaned north Londoners, many connected with the world of entertainment.
Bottom line: £957 per term.
Remarks: Children's knowledge tends to be patchy; they are not workaholics.

MILLFIELD

STREET, SOMERSET

Vital statistics

Pupils: Approx 799 boys, 433 girls; 961 board, 271 day; ages 13-18. Non-denominational. Fee-paying.

Head: Principal is Mr Colin Atkinson (since 1970). Role is that of financial director. Head is Mr Brian Gaskell (since 1985).
Academic matters: Streaming and setting allows for all abilities to learn separately. Staff were dynamic and happy.
Games, options, the arts: Outstanding. You can play almost anything. Millfield has the reputation of winning: it is the despair of other schools, which have a "not counting Millfield" approach to results. Extras also legion: new indoor riding school, own polo team, two vast sports centres, new music centre.
Background and atmosphere: Founded in 1935, and grew. Building programme is costing £1 million a year. US campus atmosphere.
The pupils: All sorts from everywhere, more international media/jet than home-grown Sloane.
Bottom line: Fees: £2,185 per term boarding ("Though of course it would not include stabling your polo ponies"). £1,155 day.
Remarks: You would probably not send an academic child here (too easily side-tracked), but for the athletic, gifted, quirky, bolshie or dyslexic it could be the answer.

OAKHAM

OAKHAM, RUTLAND

Vital statistics

Pupils: 530 boys, 439 girls; approx 60 per cent board; ages 10-18. C of E. Fee-paying.

Head: Mr Graham Smallbone (since 1985). Aims to "fulfil talents as we find them".
Academic matters: Good overall, bias to science and PPE. Keen on computers. Has special separate Oxbridge house so potential candidates can get accustomed to hothouse atmosphere.
Games, option, the arts: Strong in music: gives free lessons if pupils pass grade 5 with merit. Otherwise stronger on games: particularly keen on squash and shooting.
Background and atmosphere: Founded 16th century. Changed in 1970 from direct grant grammar school to full-blown co-ed. Cosy Cotswold stone with frantic building in background.
The pupils: Steady and natural, less spotty than your average co-ed. From East Anglia and "up and down the A1"; 25 per cent of boarders foreign and expat.
Bottom line: Fees: £1,859 (winter) to £1,979 (summer) per term boarding, £977 to £1,037 day.
Remarks: Interesting and forward-looking genuine co-ed.

RANNOCH

RANNOCH, PERTHSHIRE

Vital statistics

Pupils: 240 boys, 32 girls; all but one or two board; ages 10-18. Non-denominational. Fee-paying

Head: Mr Michael Barratt (since 1982).
Academic matters: Very small classes — ranging from one to 11 per teacher — and occasionally gets spectacular exam results. Gifted if unorthodox teachers.
Games, options, the arts: Good on theatre, music, art. Canoeing, fire-fighting, mountain rescue and expeditions form a large part of the curriculum. Golf course, rifle range, swimming pool, sailing etc.
Background and atmosphere: Founded 1959 as breakaway from Gordonstoun, loosely based on Kurt Hahn's principles of character training. In the middle of nowhere.
The pupils: Standard public school intake; large numbers from abroad.
Bottom line: £1,580 per term.
Remarks: Very tough and bleak. Brings out the best in the least academic children, or those requiring some form of remedial teaching.

ROSSALL

FLEETWOOD, LANCASHIRE

Vital statistics

Senior school: 410 boys, 67 girls; 375 board, 102 day. Junior school: 135 boys, 60 girls; 110 board, 85 day. Ages: 5-18. C of E. Fee-paying.

Head: Mr J Sharp (since 1972). Introduced girls in 1976. "Rossall is a family village," he says.
Academic matters: Good exam results in all subjects, strong in music, art and technical design.
Games, options, the arts: Tough image is fading: no more PT in the central square. Rugby and cricket. Large indoor pool. CCF.
Background and atmosphere: Founded in 1844, large redbrick buildings on a flat area of 145 acres next to the beach. Spectacular dining-hall, famous for excellent self-service food.
The pupils: Fresh-faced and neat, from every walk of life.
Bottom line: £1,983 per term boarding, £1,353 day.
Remarks: A new phenomenon is southern parents sending their children to good all-round northern schools that are short on modern problems (drugs, etc).

ST CHRISTOPHER

LETCHWORTH, HERTS

Vital statistics

Pupils: approx 240 boys, 240 girls; 229 board, 256 day; ages: 3-19. Non-denominational. Fee-paying.

Head: Mr Colin Reid. Young but with a quiet confidence and a realistic approach.
Academic matters: Good exam results: pupils are encouraged to go for what is right for their individual standards. Domestic science, computer studies and creative arts are given as subjects leading to careers, not as peripheral extras. Remedial tuition is also available on a one-to-one basis.
Games, options, the arts: Spacious playing fields; large and well-equipped gym, squash and tennis courts and golf and riding within easy reach. Superb theatre, arts and crafts in plenty. Cookery a speciality: boys and girls learn home economics and nutrition.
Background and atmosphere: Founded 65 years ago. Housed in huge 1930s house surrounded by very spacious grounds. Boarding houses have family atmosphere.
The pupils: Just about every race, colour and creed. Day children from prosperous Letchworth, boarders vary from aristocrats' to miners' children.
Bottom line: (senior) £1,830 per term boarding, £1,003 day.
Remarks: Worth following up for a child who won't fit into the traditional mould.

SEVENOAKS

SEVENOAKS, KENT

Vital statistics

Pupils: 620 boys, 280 girls; 350 board, 550 day; ages 11-18. Non-denominational. Fee-paying.

Head: Mr Richard Barker (since 1981). An innovator who believes that the single-sex school has little relevance in 1986.
Academic matters: Determinedly up-to-date approach to teaching. Each year some of the staff take a sabbatical to devise curricular reforms and develop new teaching aids. Thriving computer department. Offers unusual languages — such as Dutch and Norwegian — with lots of exchange visits abroad.
Games, options, the arts: Plenty of scope for the budding musician. Thriving drama department. Each year the school employs a different craftsman — recent ones have been a lute-maker, a blacksmith and a jeweller. Also has a TV studio. Sporting strengths are rugby and cricket. Noted for CCF.
Background and atmosphere: Founded 1418. Staggering recent growth — in 1920 there were 48 pupils. Borders on 1,000 acres of Knole Park.
The pupils: Mainly from the south east. Upper middle class and a generous sprinkling of media: 15 per cent are non-nationals and come from 37 different countries. Children cheerful and polite.
Bottom line: £1,824 per term boarding, £1,098 day.
Remarks: Ideal for the reasonably bright all-rounder who likes doing things outside the classroom.

STRATHALLAN

FORGANDENNY, PERTHSHIRE

Vital statistics

Pupils: 384 boys, 79 girls; all board; ages 11-18. Non-denominational. Fee-paying.

Head: Mr David Pighills (since 1975). Forceful and dynamic, popular with staff and pupils.
Academic matters: Recent emphasis on employing young staff. Head of craft department (new £500,000 centre) is reputedly "the best in Scotland".
Games, options, the arts: Excellent art, pottery, good music, pipe band, rugby, cricket, own golf course, skiing, CCF, hot on flying and gliding, sailing and fishing.
Background and atmosphere: Boys sleep in double cubicles: row of bleak basins, no heating in sleeping area during day. Girls' accommodation, "Woodlands", is positively luxurious. Stands in own 150-acre grounds.
Bottom line: £1,760 per term.
Remarks: After poor reputation in 1950s and 1960s, now a viable choice.

WELLS CATHEDRAL

WELLS, SOMERSET

Vital statistics

Pupils: 298 boys, 226 girls; 291 board, 234 day; 18 choristers; ages 11-18. C of E. Fee-paying.

Head: Mr J. S. Baxter (since April 1986). (Was Mr Alan Quilter who made the decision to go co-ed in 1970 and to make it a specialist music school.)
Academic matters: A level results good. Strong English department, French weakest though, said a pupil, it has "improved beyond measure".
Games, options, the arts: Divided into them that hath (music) and them that hath not, with slight resentment on the hath-not side plus feeling of superiority on part of musicians, who have their own lovely medieval building. Keen cricketing school.
Background and atmosphere: Tucked under the shadow of the glorious cathedral, much of school fronts on to main road through Wells, but warren-like extensions sprout out behind, taking in old cottages, huts, huge heated open-air swimming pool and graceful Cotswold stone houses.
The pupils: Mostly local, slightly scruffy uniform.
Bottom line: £1,376 per term boarding, £804 day.
Remarks: New head may find it hard to keep standards up.

WYMONDHAM COLLEGE

WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK

Vital statistics

Pupils: about 425 boys, 425 girls; about 600 board, 250 day; ages 11-18. C of E. State.

Head: Mr R Wolsey (since 1971). Led fight to resist closure of school, which resulted in large sums of money being raised and questions being asked in Parliament.
Academic matters: Good: science is its strength and wide variety of subjects offered.
Games, options, the arts: Main games: soccer, cricket, rugby. Good arts department. Strong CCF.
Background and atmosphere: Founded in 1951, boarding houses designed with two separate staircases so that boys and girls could live and eat under one roof as though in a family. When Mr Wolsey arrived, however, boys and girls were segregated in conventional way.
The pupils: Social background "very mixed", said the head.
Remarks: Claims to be largest co-ed (state) boarding school in Europe. Humble surroundings and some rough manners, but worth looking at as remarkable experiment in co-living as well as co-education.

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Derek Glover: Headmaster of Burford School

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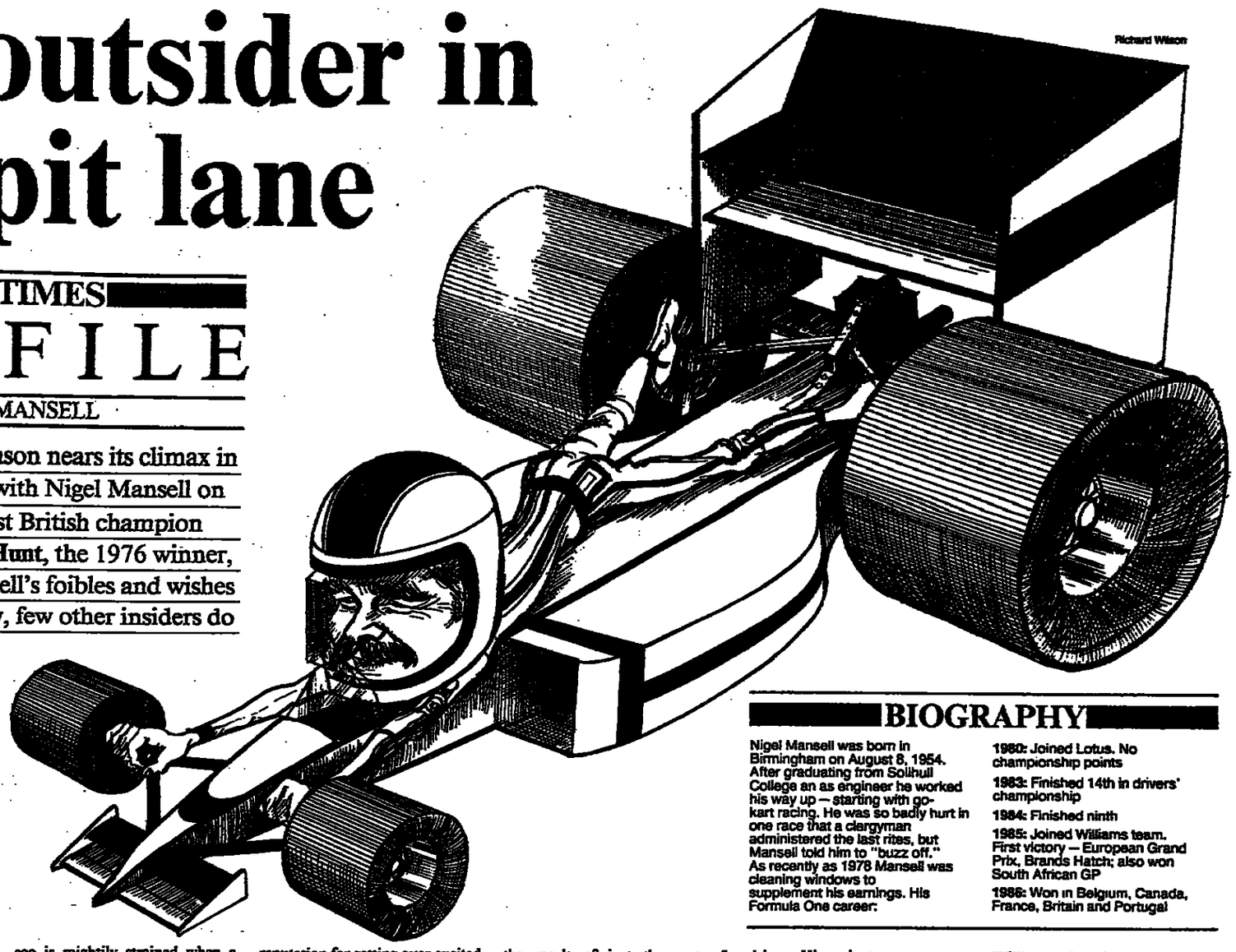
TOMORROW

On your marks: the top 20 preps

An outsider in the pit lane



THE TIMES PROFILE

NIGEL MANSELL

The Formula One season nears its climax in Mexico on Sunday with Nigel Mansell on target to be the first British champion for 10 years. James Hunt, the 1976 winner, shared some of Mansell's foibles and wishes him well; surprisingly, few other insiders do

Nigel Mansell seems perfectly suited to the mantle he has assumed among British sports enthusiasts and, indeed, the British public in general: that of *Boys' Own* hero. His disarming honesty, working-class charm and occasional naivety combine with his aura of determination to make him ideal material for those whose natural sympathy is with the underdog. Yet should he become the seventh Briton to win grand prix racing's world championship in Mexico on Sunday, the cheering will by no means be universal.

Mansell's qualities are well appreciated by those who know him best, starting with the devoted circle of his immediate family. Most racing drivers, and all British ones, face a soul-destroying financial struggle as they claw their way through the junior classes; in Mansell's case, the decision to raise capital to support his ambitions by selling their home some years ago was readily endorsed by his wife, Roseanne. They also had to postpone their great desire to have children. No doubt they would agree that it was worth it: success has brought financial security, and they have two beautiful children.

But there is another jury, hidden from the average sports fan, which gives a running verdict on the worth of drivers and on their potential suitability for the role of world champion. This is the collective voice of the insiders: the team personnel, the legislators, some of the senior sponsors and a veritable army of specialist media representatives.

There are, perhaps, 1,000 of them and they make up the grand prix circus. The sad and bewildering fact is that by and large they do not want Mansell to win.

Like any other high-earning sport, grand prix racing is a very ego-intensive business; after all, it is ego — controlled ego, that is — which makes winners and champions. Drivers are very protective of the world championship: it is the pinnacle to which they all aspire, it can only be won by one man in each season, and a driver's ego is mightily strained when a chap he thinks *he's* better than, and possibly dislikes, takes the title. Naturally, if he cannot win it himself he wants it to be won by the driver whom he most admires, respects or likes (in that descending order). Above all, the drivers want a worthy champion.

This silent vote takes place all the time, and it is by no means uncommon for approval to be withheld from the champion. The opinion spreads as drivers talk among themselves, forming a consensus which influences the rest of the fraternity. Here lies Mansell's biggest problem.

A year ago, the suggestion that Mansell might now be in the running for the world championship would have been poohpoohed by the insiders; they have never seen him as being made of the right material. The metamorphosis that took place between the Belgian Grand Prix at Spa in September last year, where he came second, and his victory in the Canadian Grand Prix at Montreal in June this year has been the most spectacular I have seen a driver undergo.

I like to feel that, in a small and almost inadvertent way, I contributed to the change. From the time he first came into grand prix racing in 1980, as a protege of the late Colin Chapman, founder and boss of Team Lotus, Mansell enjoyed a reasonably well earned reputation for getting over-excited when things were going well. At Monte Carlo in 1984, he and his Lotus were waltzing away from the rest of the field and heading for his first grand prix victory when he lost control on a straight — albeit a tricky one, and in the rain. Knowing, as Nigel certainly did, how fast he was pulling away, a more prudent driver would have slowed down in order to avoid such a disaster. Sadly, he picked a grand prix watched around the world by a television audience numbered in the hundreds of millions.

It was with his history of misadventures in mind that on the morning of the race at Spa, as Mansell was recording the fastest time in wet conditions during the warm-up session, a friend voiced the opinion that he had no chance of finishing the race — adding, with a flourish, the offer of ridiculous odds. In no time at all my money was in his hand.

Now I have first-hand experience of Nigel's problem with over-excitement, having thrown away two or three grands prix when in a winning position before I managed to win one. Armed with my vested interest I decided to protect my stake by stressing to Nigel in person the importance of finishing races and suggesting several ways of driving defensively to protect a good position.

In the race he stopped my heart twice by going off the slippery track, one of the excursions being the result of just the sort of Mansellian problem with which we were familiar. Fortunately he continued unscathed to second place — and a windfall for James. From then on he began to mature visibly.

His peers remained unimpressed, despite a couple of wins — inherited through the misfortunes of other drivers. In Montreal, however, he came of age, dominating the meeting and beating all comers fair and square. During that eight-month period, which included the five-month close season, his whole aura had changed, success breeding a new confidence. It was a joy to see.

When examining his suitability as a potential world champion, though, Mansell's personality raises many more questions than his new-found maturity as a driver. His naivety may appear quaintly attractive to the public at home, but in the business it is often seen as crossing the border into foolishness — unacceptable in the sport's standard-bearer.

> Sadly, the fact is that most insiders do not want him to win

Two weeks ago, Enzo Ferrari gave his annual press conference and announced his intention to sue Mansell for breach of contract, claiming that the British driver had signed an agreement to race for him in 1987 but had then gone on to renew his deal with the Williams team instead. On the face of it, this seems incredible behaviour.

He had been negotiating with Williams for a time before this season's British Grand Prix, in an atmosphere somewhat strained by the imbalance between his wages and those of his team mate, the former world champion Nelson Piquet, whose retainer — the figure of $3.3 million has been bandied about — is believed to be nearly five times what Mansell received, even though Mansell has been dominant on the circuit. On more than one occasion the team thought they had a deal, only to find when it came to sorting out a written contract that Mansell had changed his mind.

Williams, however, had a problem of their own: Honda, the suppliers of their engines, had paid Piquet's salary for 1986 but were reluctant to do so again; in fact, they were suggesting that Williams might like to pay them a token fee for their services. It seems strange to put at risk the financial health of the team that has already given them the manufacturers' title and is almost certain to complete the job with the drivers' championship.

Honda's claim to have the best engine is certainly true, but it is also true that Williams has the equal best, if not *the* best, chassis in which to mount it; the disputed sum seems minuscule next to the amount it cost Honda to build and develop the engine, and a pinprick next to the publicity value of TV coverage for of their success across their world markets. Nevertheless, suddenly the Williams team were facing the possibility of both a smaller budget and a higher wage bill.

Then came the British Grand Prix, and the hype that went with it. Winning in similar circumstances at Brands Hatch 10 years ago gave me the most emotional day of my career (in no way diminished by a subsequent disqualification), and it must have been the same for Mansell. One can only suppose that the exhilaration undermined his judgement, because his subsequent behaviour was reminiscent of his driving in the days before maturity arrived.

Four days after Brands Hatch he visited the Ferrari factory, where he is said to have signed what Enzo Ferrari describes as a regular agreement. Mansell denies signing a contract, but if Ferrari followed his normal system when making deals then both parties would have signed a summary (in English) of what had been agreed at the meeting. If that is indeed what took place, then as I understand it anything written above those signatures would be legally binding in both English and Italian law.

The Ferrari people were certainly astonished when Mansell broke all previous driver-signing records by concluding business within a few hours of having met them for the first time; it is usually a protracted process. The Italians would also have been surprised by the presence of Mansell's manager. It is not normal practice for managers to participate in contract negotiations between drivers and teams; their essential role is to handle commercial deals outside the business of racing. In the grand prix world, where the drivers and team managers know each other, you are expected to be able to speak for yourself.

When he got back home, however, Mansell seems to have changed his mind and decided to stay with Williams for another year. Perhaps an even worse situation was only avoided because, after he had left the Ferrari offices in Maranello, the Ferrari people appear to have decided that they did not want him in the team after all. Remarking that Mansell's behaviour had "amazed" him, Enzo Ferrari told the press conference: "This does not alter our great admiration of Mansell as a driver, but it does show us the kind of person with whom we would have been dealing."

The Williams team were themselves less than happy after the Hungarian Grand Prix, when the Press reported that Piquet, who won, had used a different and better differential unit in his car without letting on to his team mate. This was blatantly untrue — all discoveries are pooled by the drivers and their respective race engineers in debriefing sessions after each practice, and they had simply decided on different settings.

Whatever Mansell said on the subject, and whoever he talked to, it is possible that he got caught by the transition from star to superstar, and by the sudden and traumatic change in relationships with the media. He will have to choose his remarks with care in future.

The incident in Budapest was consistent with criticisms made by members of both teams for whom he has driven in Formula One. A senior Lotus man and former colleague says: "He always tries his hardest, 100 per cent, but if the the car wasn't performing as he thought it should, he behaved as if the whole world was against him." A member of the Williams management also praised his consistent all-out effort, making the point that no driver is perfect and that effort redeems a multitude of sins, but he also described Mansell as "a whinger".

I hope his luck holds in the last two races. The fortune he has enjoyed this season has been a just reward for the years of struggle, and his driving from Canada on has shown him to be entirely worthy of the title. The rough edges will be no problem as long as he shows the same capacity for rapid learning out of the car as in it. I speak from experience, because I was far more troublesome than he has been or is ever likely to be. I wish him all the best.

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BIOGRAPHY

Nigel Mansell was born in Birmingham on August 8, 1954. After graduating from Solihull College an as engineer he worked his way up — starting with go-kart racing. He was so badly hurt in one race that a clergyman administered the last rites, but Mansell told him to "buzz off." As recently as 1978 Mansell was cleaning windows to supplement his earnings. His Formula One career:

1980: Joined Lotus. No championship points

1983: Finished 14th in drivers' championship

1984: Finished ninth

1985: Joined Williams team. First victory — European Grand Prix, Brands Hatch; also won South African GP

1986: Won in Belgium, Canada, France, Britain and Portugal

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To conclude *The Times* special offer for a one-day cross-Channel trip, **Robin Young** selects the sights to see

There is plenty for day trippers to do in and around the Channel ports beside shopping and eating.

Zeebrugge is a fishing port — the busiest in Belgium — and a holiday resort in its own right with a vast sandy beach. Ostend is more convivial, with a three-master converted into a marine museum among the bobbing yachts, an aquarium to visit between the two big fish halls, and splendid beaches on the far side of town.

But from either the star attraction is Bruges. Stranded by the retreating sea in a glorious medieval past this is the most perfectly preserved old town of northern Europe. Lovely churches, art galleries and mercantile palaces line the canals which thread their way between delightful buildings and narrow alleys rich with statuary and architectural ornament.

It would be silly to claim that Calais can compete, and bear in mind that for pedestrians the boat terminals are a bus ride from either of the town's two centres. But the walk from one to the other, along rue Royale and up Boulevard Jacquard, takes you past two pleasant parks, the Disney-ish towering town hall, and the starkly contrasting, sombre Rodin memorial to the burghers of Calais. It is also worth visiting the Calais museum.

In Boulogne the higher you climb the more richly you are rewarded, and it is quite a haul up to the Haute Ville where the cobbled streets within 13th century ramparts are peacefully quiet out of season, and many of the buildings carefully restored.

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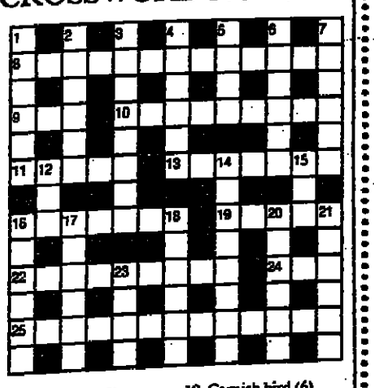

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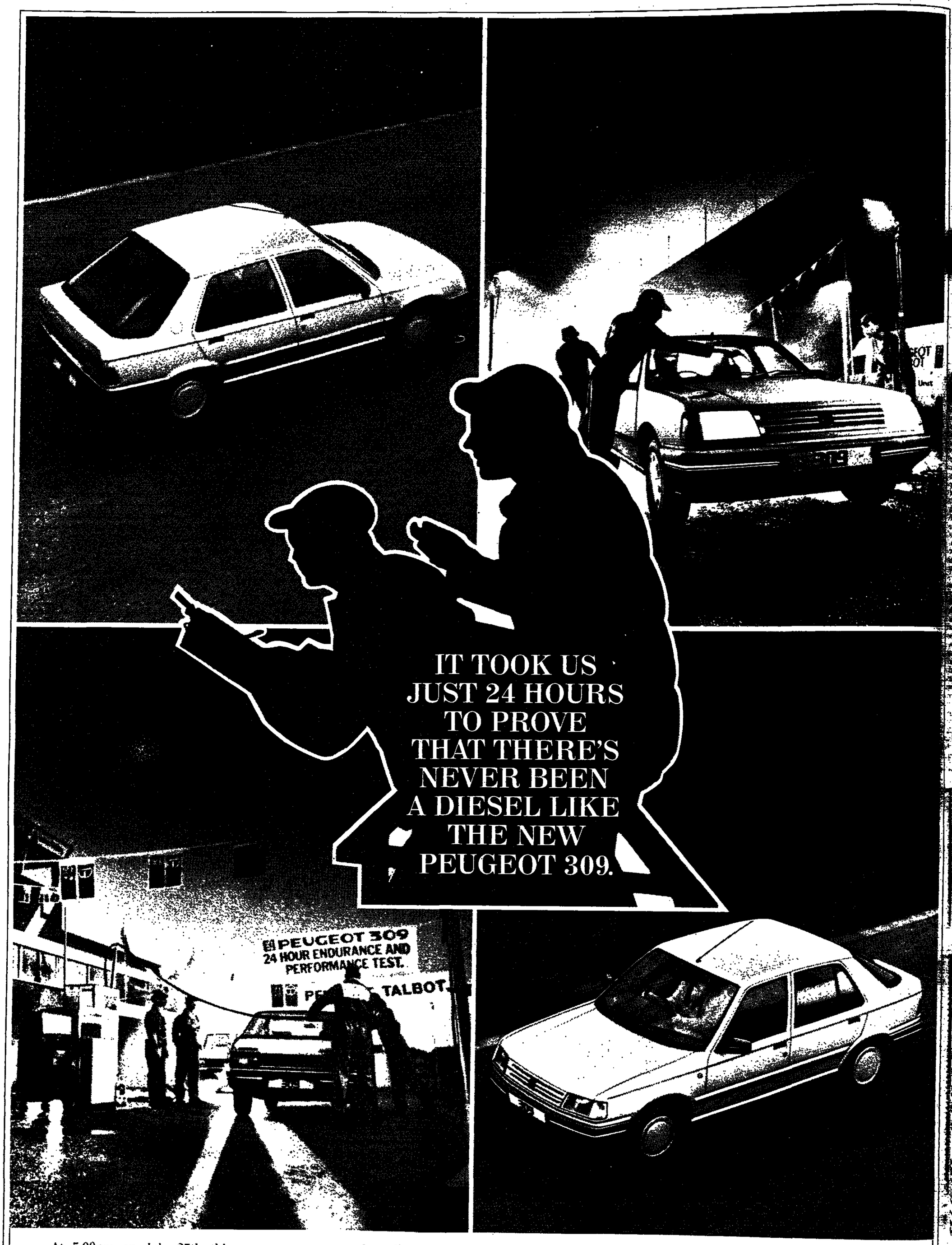

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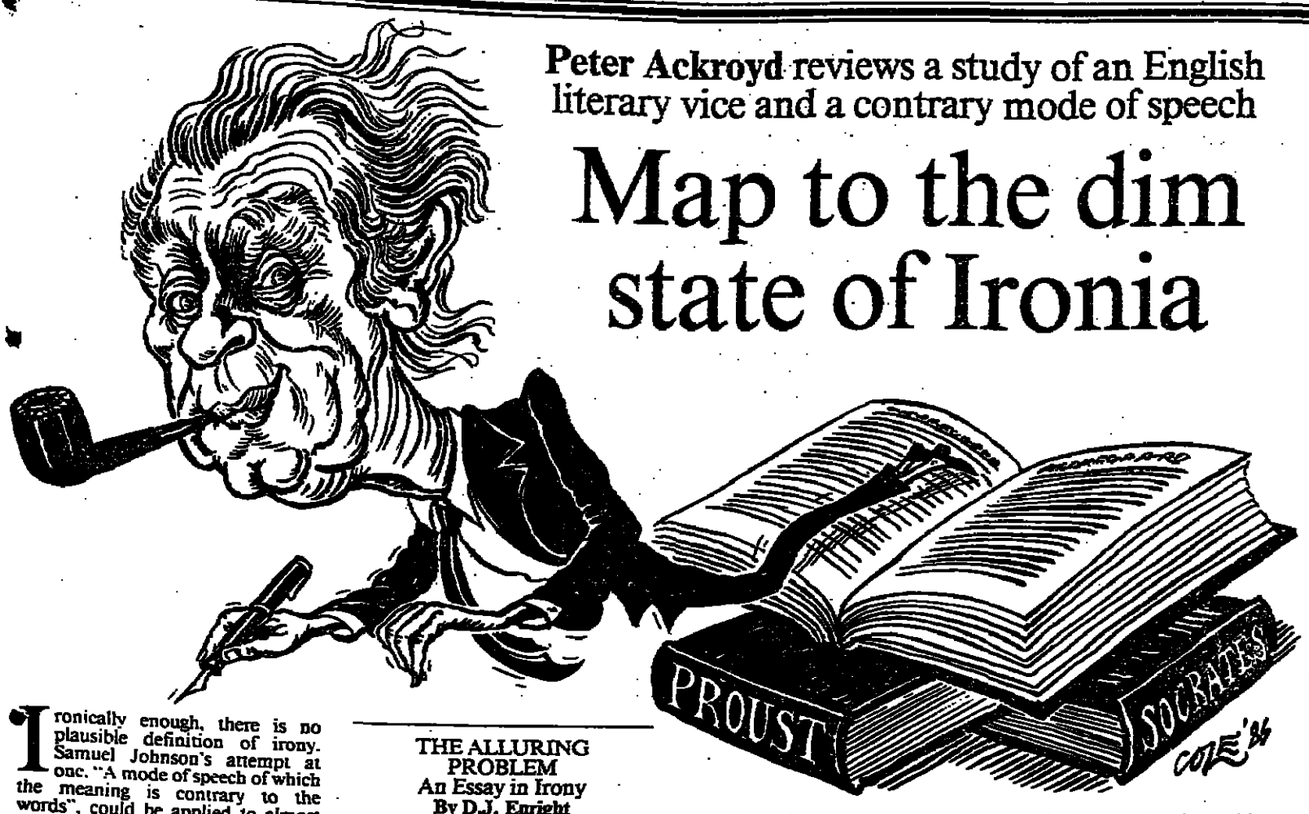


THE ALLURING PROBLEM
An Essay in Irony
By D.J. Enright
Oxford, £12.95

Ironically enough, there is no plausible definition of irony. Samuel Johnson's attempt at one, "A mode of speech of which the meaning is contrary to the words", could be applied to almost any other verbal activity – including dreaming. And no one, with the possible exception of Chaucer, has ever had an ironic dream. In fact it is much easier to say what irony is *not*. An ironist is not so funny (or so intelligent) as a wit. He is less courageous than a satirist. He is generally less interesting than a dandy; and certainly wears uglier clothes: one imagines him in something brown but subdued, looking rather like a bank-clerk, since to stand out would be to forfeit his uniquely unassuming stance. For similar reasons he would be neither a vegetarian nor a carnivore; he would probably eat frozen foods.

And *this* invisibility, this general sense of being on the margin of the crowd, represents both the virtue and the weakness of irony: the salient fact, and one with which Mr Enright deals, is that it goes largely unnoticed. Swift was taken entirely seriously; and so, with more fatal results, was Socrates. A journalist even went so far as to suggest that a special typeface be introduced for ironic remarks, so that the otherwise unsuspecting reader might be able to recognize them; I recommend a Germanic script, with one or two Romance additions.

So Mr Enright's account of irony is as welcome as it is necessary. He begins with one tentative definition of his subject, suggesting that irony can represent "an admission that there are times when we cannot be sure, not so much because we don't know enough as because uncertainty is intrinsic, of the essence." This sounds like a definition of scepticism rather than of irony, however, since an ironist would be provoked into such an admission only by someone who *was* sure. This is the soul of irony: it is essentially a reaction to something else; it has to be part of a dialogue, even if only a dialogue of the deaf, since it is impossible to be ironic in isolation. Such an endlessly ironic person would be no more than a wraith, a horrible creature (no doubt with a pipe in its mouth) floating out of the pages of Kierkegaard and wearing a supercilious little grin on every conceivable occasion. Irony is a commodity that is always best in short supply.

The real problem is that it tends to issue from an ill-concealed sense of superiority, sometimes even of smugness, and in some of the ironic anecdotes that Mr Enright includes in *The Alluring Problem* there is a touch of *Schadenfreude* among the no doubt more refined intellectual pleasures of this mode: as, for example, the story "of the 'born leader', bossily instructing others in where to put their feet, and falling into a ravine". On the tombstone of the ironist should be inscribed the words: "I told you so."

But Enright's book is more than a collection of anecdotes: it is a *disquisition on the nature of irony*, and includes a panoramic survey from Socrates to Joseph Heller, with all stops in between. It is a *Michelin* guide to the tiny land-locked dictatorship of Ironia, although, of course, without the stars – the ironist, of his nature, cannot be seen to excel at his role. There are no famous ironic remarks, either, unless the collected works of Noël Coward can claim the status of a remark. No one remembers irony, in other words, whereas everyone remembers wit. Irony is functional and temporary; it is necessary to transcend irony in order to achieve anything of importance.

This of course makes Mr Enright's task considerably more difficult; and although he provides very astute analyses of Shakespeare and Proust, among others, one does get the feeling that he is searching for needle pricks in a series of very large haystacks. In all such cases irony is introduced only as part of a much more interesting design, and is really no more important than, for example, the use of the subjunctive by the same writers. Of course it is true that you can find irony anywhere if you choose to look for it, but so protean and irresolute a quality cannot be included among the more significant aspects of literary creation.

Conventional wisdom might suggest otherwise, however, and in recent years a case has been made for irony as a "modern" mode, as a way of confronting the absurdity and meaninglessness that those with very *short memories ascribe only to the* Twentieth Century.

Kafka is always being wheeled out in this capacity, as in so many others. But every period has its own form of irony, just as every age has its wits and its satirists. What has happened in recent years, however, is that irony has been treated with unironic seriousness by academic literary critics, who are always ready to buttonhole some new term that might help them to make sense of that messy entity known popularly as "literature". Mr Enright himself is not an academic in this sense at all, but he has been the beneficiary of a literary culture that uses terms like "irony" in the elaborately disputative manner of medieval theologians discussing "grace" or "charity".

Nevertheless *An Alluring Problem* is a well-written and engaging book. It is a very English book, also, combining anecdote and opinion, theory and illustration. It might, I suppose, be defined as itself an exercise in irony since it sets out to define the resolutely indefinable. In the end it confirms my opinion that I would not want to meet a dedicated ironist on a dark night, or at any other time; but *Mr Enright himself can be exempted* from this stricture. He cannot be an ironist: an ironist would never write a book about irony unless, of course, it were one consisting entirely of blank pages.

Life in a jungle of politics

NOVEL *of the week*

Victoria Glendinning

THE REAL LIFE OF ALEJANDRO MAYTA
By Mario Vargas Llosa
Faber, £9.95

This is a terrific book. In the political jungle of Peru, "objective information" is sheer fantasy; "to report" means to interpret reality according to one's fears and desires; and Peruvians "lie, invent, dream and take refuge in illusion." Because of this, says the narrator of *The Real Life of Alejandro Mayta*, life, in a country where few people read, "has become literary". Most South American fiction seems weirdly surreal, exotic, "literary", to British readers reared on a blander diet, and this is part of the reason why.

The novel is about one marginal, forgotten man, a failed 1950s revolutionary. You close the book knowing Mayta intimately, down to the dirt between his toes, as if you had shared a bed with him. You are also left with an unforgettable impression of the dungheap world of Lima's overcrowded slums and prisons, of the primitive and dehumanizing conditions of Indian villages, and of an atmosphere of suppressed violence ready to explode.

The narrator is writing a novel about Mayta: in a period of revolution and American intervention in the near future – like next month, or next year – he is collecting information and anecdotes from people who *knew him: relatives, his ex*-wife, and revolutionary colleagues who in middle age have become professors, petty criminals, or senators, all with old scores to settle. The novelist's account of these interviews is mixed up with the conversations and feelings from the past which he invents; the "I" of the story is sometimes the narrator and sometimes Mayta, even within the same paragraph.

Vargas Llosa's triumph is to achieve something that is structurally and conceptually *pretty complex, but which* reads as easily and urgently as a detective story. At its core is his creation, bit by bit, of the sort of person who becomes a revolutionary. An ardent Catholic as a child, Mayta turns to Marxism, and in his search for perfection allies himself with smaller and smaller splinter-groups. He ends up as one of seven Trotskyists who have quarrelled with everyone else, holding interminable meetings on points of doctrine in a room above a garage, sitting on bales of old issues of their unsaleable revolutionary newsletter. This is a sad and a violent book; but it's also a funny one.

At 40, an age when most militant revolutionaries "retire", Mayta meets an exciting young man who puts a gun into his hands. The idea of action, and the company of gallant comrades (for Mayta is a romantic homosexual) give him new faith. In an absurd and tragic central episode, Mayta leads the revolution. But no one comes. The locals melt away, leaving the square empty. Support groups of workers and miners do not turn up.

But Vargas Llosa is not mocking Mayta. He is tender about aspiration and failure, just as he is tough – and horribly graphic – about the degradation of Peru's marginal masses. This book cannot be used as propaganda for *either Left or Right; and its* "lies" convey more personal and political truths than most documentaries.

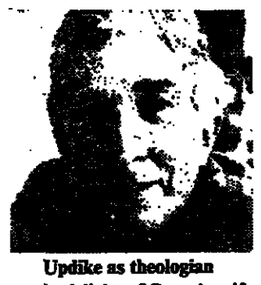
A god in the computer

FICTION

Elaine Feinstein

ROGER'S VERSION
By John Updike
André Deutsch, £9.95

MOMENTS OF REPRIEVE
By Primo Levi
Michael Joseph, £9.95



Updike as theologian

Peculiarly contemporary American puritanism has always underpinned Updike's obsession with coupling; and this late, brilliant novel is all the fiercer for openly taking theology on board. Updike does so through the consciousness of a sharp if mildly embittered scholar, with a specialist interest in the Latin writings of the Early Church.

He is dogged by Dale, a plausibly unlikable computer buff with waxen skin and pale blue eyes, who pursues Roger with discoveries in astronomy, doubts about Darwinism, and queries arising from those finely adjusted constants necessary for life to exist at all. We are easily led to share the loathing Roger feels for Dale's icy-eyed fervour, and can hardly believe it when his effrontery is rewarded by a grant to enable him to prove the existence of God through the new technology of computer graphics. At the same time we register that Dale shows a compassion and responsibility towards Roger's half-niece Verna, stuck in poverty with an illegimate, coloured baby, and herself a dangerously unreliable mother: qualities that Roger, for all his comfortable common sense, markedly lacks.

Both Roger and Dale are ultimately destroyed by the sexuality that has always been deadly to the Protestant ethos. For Roger his bleary niece Verna, with her slurred street speech and warm, musty, sluttish bedroom, becomes the itchy object of his desire. Dale, for his part, is transformed into little more than a marble phallus for the considerable erotic delight of Roger's wife Esther.

As the man with the better mission in life, Dale's collapse is more brutal. All power ebbs from him; and he begins to look like a poor ghost of his former self. Roger, for his part, is implicated in a particularly nasty cover-up of Verna's *assault on her unloved child*; but he is grounded too safely in the subtleties and quibbles of the Early Church to be as much at risk.

Perhaps it is no accident that at his most depleted and inarticulate, Dale is faced with such a representative of an alien tradition called Kriegman, whose far greater knowledge of Planck and Higgs reduces Dale to a child commanded to think while groping in helpless ignorance. Kriegman's confidence springs from recent evidence that life arose from crystal formations in clay that provide the template and scaffolding for life. We do not receive this information with relief; too many souls have been destroyed on the way through the novel. Updike's vision of American society, from the brutality of deprived housing estates to the desperate adulteries of the comfortably well-heeled, might well prompt anyone to echo Wilfred Owen, looking over another battlefield, and questioning whether it was for this "the clay grew tall".

Primo Levi's work is reaching us out of sequence now, and these stories bear witness chiefly to his unquestioned integrity and modesty, as hard-hitting as Shalamov. The best story concerns a pious Jew so insanely determined to fast on the Day of Atonement in starvation camp conditions, that his bewildered guard is persuaded to put aside his ration of watery soup for the following evening. Some such moment of unexpected reprieve however brief links all these *records. Street-wise gypsies* and mountain bandits survive best as innocence cannot. This is made most poignant in a story where a youngster, whom Levi has been trying to teach the rudiments of camp lore, rewards him with shy pride by a radish drawn from his pocket and the words, "I've learnt. This is for you – it's the first thing I've stolen."

Is this the ship that won at Salamis?

Peter Jones

THE ATHENIAN TRIREME
By J.S. Morrison &J.F. Coates
Cambridge, £22.50, paperback £7.95

Oh-op op, oh-op op together

The Great *Times* Trireme Correspondence of 1975 was started by Eric Leach on August 30 with a piece discussing, largely, the trireme's use of sail. Five weeks, thirty-one letters, one fourth leader, and two Latin elegiac couplets later, it ended.

It had been a classic correspondence, acerbic, witty, and entirely resistant to conclusions. Scholars wondered what was meant by the "very long day" in Xenophon's account of a journey of 130 nautical miles completed in that time – twelve hours? twenty-four? – and tentatively suggested 10-12 knots as an average speed for the 170-oared warship. Indignant mathematicians, spluttering about innumerate classicists, waved computers, slide-rules, and envelopes, announced what utter child's play it was to calculate the maximum speed: and produced between them three totally different sets of results. Members of Rowing Clubs pointed out that 12 knots was very good going indeed for a racing eight in top condition. Winds, currents, and length of oar-stroke were discussed. Quinquireme of Nineveh even made a brief appearance, from a correspondent in distant Weybridge.

Now, eleven years on, the vision of the classical scholar J.S. Morrison, himself a chief protagonist in the Great Correspondence, and of J.F. Coates, a naval architect, has brought us close to the point where some of these problems may actually be solved. It is a disastrous prospect. What will there be left to write to *The Times* about? But, for Morrison and Coates and their Trireme Trust, it will be a triumph. For under the magnificent sponsorship of the Hellenic Navy, the Trust's designs have just about been realized, and very shortly a trireme will take to the seas again. *The Athenian Trireme*, which recounts the history and reconstruction of an ancient Greek warship, makes essential preparatory reading for this great occasion. *Times* readers can call it the Book of the Correspondence.

J.S. Morrison starts with a detailed and commenably lucid account of the history of the trireme from its invention in the Seventh Century BC down to the Fourth Century. He has changed his views on its speed since the Correspondence; reckoning now that Xenophon's "long day" implied fifteen hours' rowing, giving an average speed of c.8½ knots, but that the normal speed would be less. Since triremes had positive buoyancy and so did not sink when rammed, we have to rely on art, architecture and ancient texts to supply the evidence for the reconstruction.

It is astonishing what can be wrung from them. The ruins of a shipshed at Zea give us a trireme's maximum dimensions (absolutely crucial evidence); a foundered merchantman gives us the technique of hull-construction, confirmed by Homer's account of the ship Odysseus built when he was released from Calypso's clutches; a bronze ram has recently been recovered near Haifa, (though not a trireme's, being too heavy); a striking simile from the myth of Er in Plato's Republic tells us what a hypozoma was and did (ropes girdling the hull from bow to stern to reduce bending stresses); and rarely can so many pots and reliefs have been so minutely examined.

But probably the most exciting part of the book is J.F. Coates's chapter on the fundamentals of design and reconstruction. With the help of his own superbly detailed line-drawings ("a thranite oarsman's view" etc.), he takes us through the problems of hull-design, tenon size (tenons of attested size broke under strain, so the boat will depart from authenticity on this point), choice of wood (Douglas Fir, for its resistance to decay), caulking, and then describes the actual process of construction. It is all highly technical, but a landlubber's glossary is provided (I particularly liked "futtocks", a word rich in semantic possibilities). The only important issue left untouched is the issue of language. I do not see how a trireme can hope to function if the bos'n does not keep the time of the strokes with the loveliest words in the ancient Greek language – oh-op op, oh-op op.

Both men sensibly refuse to predict anything in the way of what will happen when the completed boat is launched from Piraeus at the end of the year and given its sea trials in spring or summer 1987. But the original contributors to the Great Trireme Correspondence should surely be there, possibly even as crew-members, when the cries of "What did I tell you?" and the pleasing crash of jettisoned computers should do much to enliven what will be, in any case, a historic and jubilant scene. As for what should be built next, that's easy: *another* trireme. Then we can have ramming trials.

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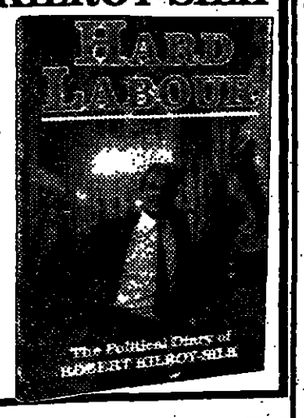
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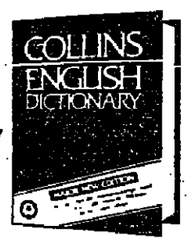
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Phibbs, or facts?

Harry Phibbs, who made a name for himself by publishing a claim that Harold Macmillan was a war criminal, is back in action at Bournemouth. This morning he and his Federation of Conservative Students friends will be distributing spoof front pages of *The Times*, dated October 9, 1996. The stories include the release of the first murderer from a private prison; taxation "too high" at 12 per cent; the sale of Glasgow Town Hall following the privatization of local government; and Ken Livingstone as Labour leader. An unrealistic exercise? Perhaps not; a similar FCS sheet 15 years ago contained predictions which, at the time, seemed equally implausible: viz, a denationalized telephone service, the sale of the last council house, and Ronald Reagan as US president.

All holds barred

The Tory Reform Group has come up with a new formula for fringe meetings, which I am sure will find instant favour with politicians. Hitherto, it has been the practice for speakers to prepare a speech and take tough questions from the floor; but at a lunchtime meeting yesterday, John Biffen was required merely to answer friendly questions from Charles Moore, editor of *The Spectator*. Thus he was able to eschew the danger of making controversial statements about Mrs Thatcher. His real views may be divined from his pleasure over the description of his career, quoted by Moore, that he has switched from "Enoch's John the Baptist to Margaret's Judas."

Fallout

Do the Bournemouth police suspect foul play in the affair of Mrs Thatcher and the manhole cover? After her fall, security men broke the seal on the manhole, lifted the cover, and carried out a thorough examination. It has now been resealed with bright yellow paint, making it less likely to trip the unwary. Not that Mrs. Thatcher often falls into that category.

Party faithful

The Prime Minister, in spite of her Methodist background, declined an invitation to a pre-conference service on Sunday at the Punson Memorial Methodist Church, opposite the conference centre. But she has a daily chance to repent, and a daily reminder of the need for doing so, in the form of a large banner on the church visible from the conference entrance, announcing morning prayers at 7.55. A relay of Methodist, Baptist and Anglican clergy has been organized, with a Roman Catholic priest still being sought. The idea comes from a group of local businessmen, members of a predominantly American organization called Successful Living. This year's Tory event is a trial run; next year they plan to set up the same prayer facility at all the party conferences.

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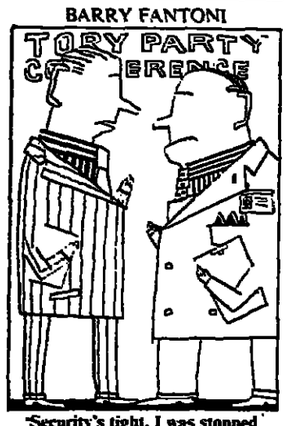

'Security's tight. I was stopped and told to hand over any election winning ideas to Norman Tebbit'

Policeman's lot

Two weeks before the report into the Royal Ulster Constabulary's alleged "shoot-to-kill" policy is due to be presented to Northern Ireland's Director of Public Prosecutions, its author, West Yorkshire police chief Colin Sampson, is strangely absent. I can reveal that the man who replaced John Stalker is one of 8,000 police chiefs attending a five-day international conference at Nashville, Tennesse, complete with country and western music. All, I gather, at public expense. A West Yorkshire police spokesman tells me: "Mr Sampson would not have gone were there any likelihood that his absence would have impeded the RUC inquiry."

● **Chairman-to-be Hussey is not the first Marmaduke to make BBC history. A commemorative plaque at Broadcasting House records that one of its founders was a Marmaduke Tudsbery-Tudsbery.**

King tong

Amid the excitement of the Queen's visit, the Chinese have invited London crimper Allan Soh to cross the bamboo curtain. He is famed in certain fashion-crazed circles for curling the locks of starlets sich as Koo Stark the old-fashioned Chinese way: with chopsticks. But since he packed his chopsticks and left Singapore for the West, the cultural revolution has knocked such nonsense out of 1,000 million Chinese minds. Now Peking has given him the mission of touring the country reintroducing the Chinese to their own ancient ways.

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Unesco: leave the door ajar

Timothy Raison, until recently Minister for Overseas Development, argues that British withdrawal should not be irrevocable

Amadou Mahtar M'Bow has announced that he does not intend to stand for a third term as Unesco's director general. As one who was involved in Britain's campaign to reform the organization, and then the decision to leave, I can only say that I hope no one persuades him to change his mind. Though neither the British nor the US government attacked him personally during the reform campaign, there can be no hope of a better Unesco without a better director general.

Not that M'Bow is a man without qualities; he has a certain charm of intelligence, and a touch of eloquence. But in his time there has been a combination of erratic management – his long absences abroad were combined with a reluctance to delegate – an insidious, often Marxist infiltration of programmes and publications, made easier by their often nebulous nature; poor morale; financial extravagance; and a lack of practical objectives.

M'Bow may claim that the director general only carries out the wishes of the member states. But in Unesco, as in the other UN agencies, the director general has great operational powers. Reform has to start with him.

In the spring of 1984 I began our reform campaign with a letter to M'Bow setting out our concerns and objectives, including better balanced and more effective programmes, budgetary restraint, more efficient management, and a curb on the kind of politicization which had been particularly worrying in the so-called New World Information and Communications Order. At the end of 1984 we gave a year's notice of withdrawal.

Although the United States left the organization at the end of 1984, over that year and the first half of 1985 the hard work by our team and various other member countries did bring some benefit. The budget was controlled, some management weaknesses were tackled and the impending loss of the large American financial contribution forced a more rigorous look at actual operations. This led to a shift, in emphasis towards the more practical programmes in science and education.

After further consideration at the end of 1985 British withdrawal was confirmed, though on balance I would have preferred that we had stayed in. I felt that a momentum for reform had been established which it would be a pity to jeopardize. It was decided, however, that we simply had not made enough progress to justify remaining.

Our departure was greatly eased by the decision that the £6 million or so saved by it was not to be recouped by the Treasury but to be spent on a well-judged programme of scholarships and scientific and cultural activities.

But what now? There can be no question of Britain returning to Unesco unless we are sure that the post of director general is held by the right man. Though we shall have no say in his appointment, some members may feel it is worth choosing someone who might attract Britain and America back. The post should not be seen as necessarily a Third World preserve – anyone from the Arctic to the Antipodes should be eligible. But as with other UN posts a fixed limit of tenure should be introduced: 10 years should be the most for any one holder. M'Bow has already had 12.

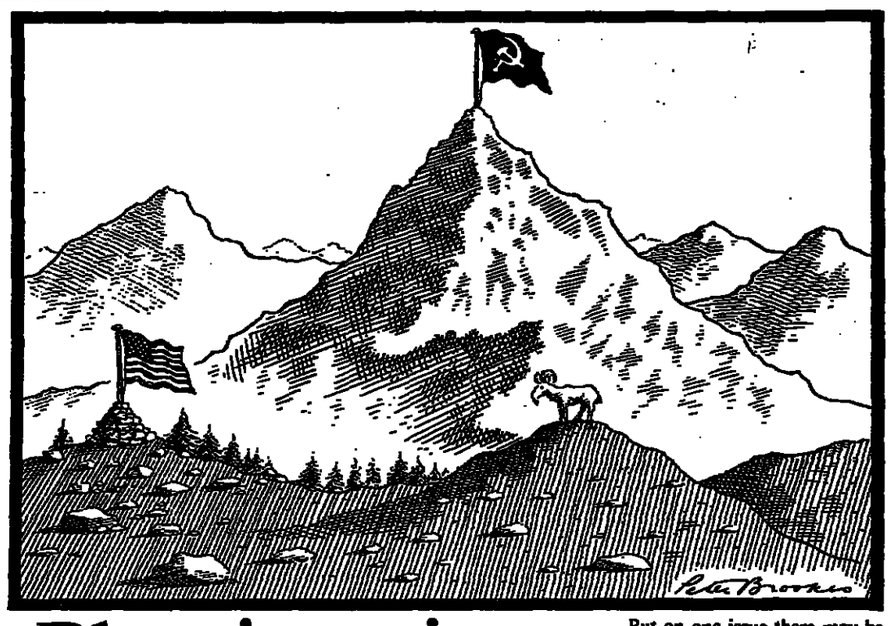
There is a good reason why Britain should consider returning to Unesco. The organization, at present slack, yet autocratically run, would gain by a movement for reform; and the world can gain from its aims of tying together and promoting scientific, educational and cultural activities. The immediate gain would be greater in Third World than in developed countries. It is they who most need aid with literacy campaigns, with succour for museums and antiquities, with international scientific free trade. Unesco is not uniquely able to deal with most of these things – there are other ways of giving help – but its central position can be very valuable.

But the advanced countries too can benefit from scientific and cultural co-operation; not just by agreeable seminars in Ibiza or a chance to add to the world's paper mountains, but by programmes altogether more direct and useful.

We badly need universal recognition that working for the United Nations is not just about taking part in the good life in a great city. The United States and ourselves should be able to do as much as anyone to get that over. Unesco is not a bad place to start.

It will take time. M'Bow has another year to serve. A successor will need time to make his mark. It may not be until the general conference of 1989 that we can see if Unesco is really determined to reform. If it is, we should be there.

Michael Binyon sets the scene for the weekend talks in Reykjavik



Pleasing view from Reagan's base camp

Washington

No longer is President Reagan in nervous awe of the smart new man in the Kremlin. He thinks he knows how to handle him and, as the Reykjavik encounter nears, he knows what he wants and holds most of the strong cards.

At the very start of the tortuous negotiations to free Nicholas Daniloff, Reagan decided he had little to lose and much to gain by meeting Gorbachov at short notice. With mid-term elections approaching, he could press the Russians on human rights, Afghanistan and other vote-winning issues; he could reinforce American standing with the ever-nervous Nato allies; and he had a real chance to clinch a deal on intermediate range nuclear weapons and sketch out a framework for agreement later for big cuts in strategic arms.

But there are risks. Reagan may be confident in his ability to talk frankly but firmly with Gorbachov at their second meeting in less than a year, but many of his key supporters are not. They are convinced that the great conservative champion has gone soft on communism; that in his anxiety to establish a place in history as the man who brought home the first real agreement to cut nuclear stockpiles, he will go the way of detente-minded Republicans such as Ford and Nixon and do a deal with the Russians that is against America's interests. To the Republican right, any agreement that cuts US military strength or plays down the communist threat smacks of capitulation.

"It will be a cold day in Hades when I go soft on communism," Reagan defiantly declares. He knows that the conservatives, though commanding sympathy in the Pentagon, have nowhere else to go. The obdurate Defence Secretary, Caspar Weinberger, sent on a visit to China, has wisely kept his scepticism to himself. Reagan's political standing is high enough for him to pay no more than lip service to the right-wing objections. But he does see another danger: that many Americans, and Europeans, may hope for too much from the meeting. Nothing is to be signed, he insists. This is not a proper summit, only a useful preparatory talk, "a base camp before the summit."

The real summit here in Washington is what counts, and Reagan has staked his prestige on holding Gorbachov to it. He is therefore fighting any Soviet attempt to upgrade the Reykjavik meeting. Raisa Gorbachov is going to Iceland; Nancy Reagan, usually inseparable from her husband, is staying at home.

However, the two days of talks may accomplish more in the modification of positions than either the Geneva summit or its promised follow-up. Reagan, wanting progress on arms control, regional conflicts, bilateral relations and human rights, is resisting Soviet attempts to turn this into a single-issue arms control session, dwelling exclusively on those areas in which Gorbachov would find a ready response in western Europe: medium-range missiles and a nuclear test ban. At his White House meeting with the freed Soviet dissident, Yuri Orlov, Reagan insisted that without a real improvement in the Soviet human rights record there could be no lasting progress on other issues.

But, willy-nilly, it *is* an arms control summit, and here the US side has definite views on what it wants and thinks achievable. In the most promising area, intermediate-range nuclear forces, only four questions remain unresolved: the Soviet missiles in Asia, the length of any interim agreement, effective verification of the destruction of the cruise, Pershing-2 and SS-20 missiles, and the future of shorter range Soviet missiles now deployed in East Germany and Czechoslovakia. Both sides want an interim agreement; Europe would be delighted.

Reagan will hold out for proper verification, including on-site inspections, and will resist any Soviet offer to chose between cuts in the Asian SS-20s and cuts in the short-range missile force in Eastern Europe – effectively an invidious choice for the US between its European allies and Japan.

On strategic arms and space-defence weapons, Reagan will continue to press for deep cuts in Soviet long-range nuclear weapons. But here he might offer Gorbachov a concession: acceptance of a 30 per cent cut, as proposed by Soviet negotiators in Geneva in June, instead of the 50 per cent agreed at the last summit. Reagan has two good reasons for such a concession: most US experts agree that Gorbachov will probably face insuperable opposition from the Soviet military establishment for a 50 per cent cut and, secondly, Reagan could use the concession to force the Russians to compromise on Star Wars.

Reagan knows that Gorbachov will press him hard to join in the Soviet nuclear test moratorium. Here too he will stand firm. The US is now saying publicly that despite pious aspirations, as long as the world depends on nuclear deterrence, nuclear weapons have to be tested. Nevertheless, some common midway point could be found, such as a US commitment to reduce the number of tests, with the declared aim of working towards an eventual ban. That might give Gorbachov something sufficiently concrete to show his critics at home – which Reagan believes an important consideration – while helping the US in world opinion. Finally, the US may be able to nudge Gorbachov towards an agreement on the non-proliferation of chemical weapons.

All this would leave little time in the three negotiating sessions for the other issues Reagan wants to emphasize. On human rights, he may extract little more than a verbal assurance that things will be eased for some would-be emigrants. On bilateral issues, the one pressing question is the expulsion of the 25 members of the Soviet UN mission, especially the 11 still in New York thought to be the senior KGB operatives. Having made so much fuss about them in the first place; Reagan is unlikely to back down.

But on one issue there may be more lively discussion: Afghanistan. Eduard Shevardnadze, the Soviet foreign minister, hinted as much last week. To Washington, all depends on how serious the Russians are about withdrawal and whether they are prepared to risk the collapse of a puppet regime in Kabul. The makings of a settlement have already been negotiated through the United Nations, and the US has offered to guarantee the terms. Reagan, in turn, expects to be pressed on Nicaragua, but will resist any equating of the two. Washington has already detected a more pliable Soviet attitude to other regional conflicts, such as the Middle East.

Reagan will bargain toughly on all these issues. He is convinced that Gorbachov is under pressure to achieve results that would lead to better relations but would not be considered dangerous concessions back in Moscow. Indeed, one reason for Reagan's confidence is his belief that over the past year things have moved his way. Since the last summit, Gorbachov's international standing has been severely damaged by Chernobyl (and now the sinking of the Soviet nuclear submarine); the economic climate has worsened for the Soviet Union, and hardliners have managed to hold up reforms at home. Reagan, by contrast, has had a relatively good year – even including Libya – and is under little domesic pressure.

If little comes of the meeting, conservatives will be reassured. If there are frameworks for agreement, the European allies will be pleased. And already there is some cause for optimism, for when Gorbachov touches down at Reykjavik he will have made a symbolic concession by being the first Soviet leader to land at a Nato base for a summit meeting. In prospect, it seems that acceptance of Gorbachov's invitation at the darkest moment of the Daniloff affair was a shrewd political gamble.

Whiff of battle brings a new euphoria

After a period of fractious, troubled sleep the Tory party has shaken itself awake and emerged blinking into the Bournemouth sunlight to discover that its confidence is still intact.

Norman Tebbit was relaxed enough to wield the stiletto rather than the bludgeon on the Labour Party in his speech. But the new mood is wafting up from the floor as well. Westland, Land Rover and their associated disasters have been allowed to drift into the background. To their own surprise, the Tories find themselves ready for battle after all.

If the Conservative Party is about anything it is about winning elections. So something of the change in mood is explained by the growing election atmosphere. At every fringe meeting or reception there is real relish at the thought of going into an election against a Labour Party committed to unilateralism and the closure of American bases. One Tory activist after another tells you: "The British voter will not support a party which wants to strip away this country's nuclear defences".

The disarray of the Alliance on the same issue has delighted them too. Probably much too soon, the Tories are writing off the Alliance; they feel much more comfortable fighting the old enemy.

The conference is an important element in Tory morale. From the last three conferences delegates have gone home shaken and unsettled, one soured by Miss Sara Keays, another wrecked by the IRA. Now calm has returned. This time they have been able to unpack their suitcases and take their second bath of the day en route to the area cocktail party in an atmosphere of normality.

Conservative confidence has been revived by the realization of how many arguments they have won, how much that is irreversible has been achieved. No Labour government now could take back the million council homes sold to their tenants, nor will they try. Lumbered though it is with spending promises, Labour has pledged not to set off a new inflationary spiral. It has been obliged to take aboard Tory reforms giving trades unions back to their members; nationalization has become, in the words of Tory MP Norman Lamont, "the policy that dare not speak its name".

Tories who three months ago were twitching about the opinion polls are now reminding one another of what a mountain Labour has to climb to gain the 116 seats it needs for victory.

But the really significant factor about Bournemouth 1986 is that the Tory Party's internal debates are over, for the moment at least. The wets are no longer rocking the boat. One decidedly moist minister told me: "We have to say to people like Francis Pym, Jim Prior and Peter Walker, 'Sorry, there's a new train leaving the station and we're aboard'. And we don't expect them to tell us that we have sold out".

The agitation over whether Mrs Thatcher needs a balanced ticket is over. She has given frontline jobs to Kenneth Baker, Kenneth Clarke and Malcolm Rifkind. And in the way they operate those jobs they epitomize the new style. The wet sympathies remain over the dinner table, but behind the departmental desk the emphasis is on practical achievement. The debate over whether there should be tax cuts or more spending on schools and hospitals is concluded. There will be some of each.

In the shadow of the election the Tory party is coming together. The Kenneth Bakers of this world are listening to the radicals and welcoming their ideas, not rejecting them out of hand as the thoughts of mad ideologues. For their part the radicals are accepting that they cannot have everything at once and that their ideas have to be allowed time to work through if the voters are not to be frightened on the way.

The motto over the platform this week reads: "The Next Move Forward". If it ran to a sub-title it should surely be: "We are all consolidators now".

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Measuring up to obligation

Labour has launched a skilled operation against the Tories, with an argument going like this: Mrs Thatcher has broken the old consensus based on a mixed economy, a mutually co-operating society, and a high notion of public service and welfare. Instead, she has introduced competitiveness, discord, and a preference for the successful at the expense of concern for the needy. She prefers cutting the taxes of the rich to maintaining the standard of the public services on which the majority depends. Labour, however, will return to the old path of moderation; it will make good the inadequate standards of the essential public welfare services as well as tackling unemployment much more vigorously.

Now it is not true, to start with, that Mrs Thatcher broke the consensus. It was cracked when the unions made nonsense of Harold Wilson's experiment in social democracy, with its planning for growth and for stable prices and incomes, which was in many ways the high water mark of the mixed-economy consensus. It was broken into pieces when the unions destroyed the Heath government and the pieces were ground beyond repair when the Labour Party fell into the hands of extremists between 1970 and 1979. The winter of discontent which broke the Callaghan government was the final evidence that it was the left which had destroyed the consensus.

What Mrs Thatcher did was to abandon the pretence that the old consensus mould could be fitted together again. Instead she began the attempt to build a new consensus based on popular capitalism, freedom, and personal responsibility, in the belief that in the long run it would bring better living standards for all. Much has been achieved, but the Tories must now turn to what they still have to do instead of inviting gratitude for what has been done. The need now is to confront the new social difficulties which have been the by-products of economic reform, namely unemployment and how to restore the standards of the public services without returning to inflation.

Labour's claim to offer a new democratic socialist mould should be considered in the light of the recent radio interview with John Smith, its industry spokesman. Asked if there was no escape from alternative bouts of denationalization and renationalization, he replied that previous Conservative governments had been willing to leave undisturbed what their Labour predecessors had nationalized. Mrs Thatcher had done the opposite; therefore she had broken the consensus. Labour's gospel, then, is that consensus means a system in which the nation's political structure is edged bit by bit but remorselessly leftwards, with the Tories doing nothing to check it.

In Blackpool last week, Willy Brandt of the German SPD described Conservatism as a gross charade whose weakness is that "its champions promise to a majority what only a minority will ever get." There is now clearly a greater disposition among voters to see the defects in social provision as confirmation of that sort of thinking. People increasingly question what sometimes seems to be a kind of government fatalism about unemployment and to contrast the waiting lists for hospitals and the living standards of pensioners with their growing knowledge of the vast pay that can be earned in the City. They ask themselves whether the new consensus on offer really will benefit all the people within the measurable future.

Ministers at Bournemouth, notably Norman Fowler and Kenneth Baker, have rightly sensed that their first priority is to give the lie to the allegations that they are indifferent to the standards of public provision. But, of course, new money for the essential services will have to come from somewhere, and Fowler at least has had none to offer. The way to start getting it is to comb the lists of departmental grants to see how much public money is being wasted by subsidies to autonomous bodies (some of them far from socially constructive), whose only accountability is to the civil servants who are the real dispensers of this kind of patronage.

Mrs Thatcher is understandably very wary about the pressure of those who want her to give the country her vision for the future. The idea of a visionary blueprint of this kind is wholly alien to her notion of good government, which hangs on the conviction that the future is something which people must make for themselves, and which cannot be conjured up in political rhetoric.

That approach is not only honourable but sensible. It is not the lack of rhetorical Tory vision that is at the heart of the government's difficulties but actual concrete discontents about hospital waiting lists, housing, substandard services for the genuinely needy, and so on – together with the false vision of the exaggerated size of the problems which is promoted by its opponents.

What is essential is a clear indication of how to establish priorities in public provision to ensure that what matters most is not deprived of resources at a time when there is much private affluence. This week, ministers are making a start by showing that more is being done than their opponents allege. But looking farther ahead, what the public wants to know is how inadequacy is to be avoided in the state services that matter. The Tories have to refute the charge that because they wish to enlarge the area of private responsibility they are comparatively indifferent to what is left of public responsibility.

The truth is rather that what must remain in public hands must be well done because there is no other way yet of doing it.

***moreover* . . . Miles Kington**

How inefficient are you?

I was looking at some Christmas crackers in a shop the other day, trying to remember which makes in the past had proved successful and which disastrous. It occurred to me, not for the first time, that it would be the height of efficiency to make a note of such things at the time and refer to it next year. The depth of inefficiency would be to do what I do, and keep a spare box of crackers so old that none of them detonates and all the jokes fail to go off.

Inefficiency is a very personal thing, of course, but I have now come up with a primitive version of a scale of efficiency against which we can all measure ourselves. As far as I can see, people fall into one of three categories: the super-efficient, the inefficient and the super-inefficient. For instance, in the matter of video recordings, the super-efficient person buys his own copy of *Gone With The Wind*, the ordinarily inefficient tapes it off the TV and mislays it, while the super-inefficient hires it from the video library and records Wogan over it by mistake.

If you recognize yourself in any of those guises, then try the following recognition tests.

● **In the bathroom.** If you are super-efficient, you never run out of toothpaste. If you are merely inefficient, you have four toothpaste tubes, all squeezed flat. If you are super-inefficient, you go to the bathroom to brush your teeth and only remember when you get back that you had set out to spend a penny, not brush your teeth.

● **In the garden.** The super-efficient gardener always contrives to have the garden looking its best; the inefficient says "It's a mess now, but you should have seen it three weeks ago"; the super-inefficient never notices the garden until it starts coming into the house.

● **Appointments.** Super-efficiency: arriving early. Inefficiency: leaving home at the time you are due to arrive. Super-inefficiency: what appointment?

● **Diary entries.** The super-efficient person does not have a diary but a Filofax (if antiquarian by bent) or tiny computer (if modernistic). The ordinary inefficient person has a diary at home and a diary at work, each containing only half his appointments. The super-inefficient person knows he will lose his diary before the year is out, so well in advance he buys a mid-year diary (starting July), and loses that too.

● **At the garage.** The super-efficient person carefully takes the right amount of petrol so that the bill comes to an exact number of pounds, with no pence. The inefficient person leaves his petrol cap at the filling-station. The super-inefficient person walks off, leaving his car behind.

● **Cards.** Super-efficiency: sending postcards on the first day of your holiday and Christmas cards in November. Mere inefficiency: sending postcards on the last day of the holiday and Christmas cards on Christmas Eve. Super-inefficiency: bringing your postcards home and going to work on Christmas Day by mistake.

● **In the kitchen.** The super-efficient cook comes home to find only two eggs, a green pepper and six rashers of bacon in the house and turns them into a perfect dish by instinct. The inefficient cook spends desperate hours looking through cookery books for a recipe involving eggs, pepper and bacon. The super-inefficient cook wakes up in the middle of the night feeling hungry and remembers that he forgot to eat.

● **Passport control.** At the airport the super-efficient person always knows where his passport is. The inefficient person knows where it was, before he put it in a safe place which he now cannot remember. The super-inefficient person, when asked for his passport, produces a remarkably similar pocket diary: his passport is still at home on his desk.

● **Reading the paper.** Super-efficiency: finishing it before you leave home for work. Inefficiency: taking it to bed at night and falling asleep over it. Super-inefficiency: relying on newspapers left behind in the tube or bus and finding they are always give-away sheets aimed at Australian students looking for a cheap flight home.

There will be further reports on this fascinating subject, if I remember.

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THE HEALTH OF DEFENCE

Yesterday's Conservative Conference addressed the two subjects, health and defence, which are likely to be the weakest and strongest Tory cards in the forthcoming election campaign. They are, indeed, the weakest and strongest Tory cards in almost any election campaign. The mysterious alchemy of party "image" ensures, irrespective of the policies or conduct of the two parties, that the Tories are credited by voters with the military virtues and that Labour is thought to be "caring."

As they prepare for the election, however, Labour and the Tories are making very different use of their natural advantages. At its Blackpool conference, Labour decided to make a unilateralist defence policy one of the major planks in its manifesto. Not only did it thus adopt a policy rejected by majority of the public and many of its own supporters, but in addition it devoted as much passion and energy to broadcasting the fact as to boosting any of the policies on which it enjoys general sympathy. The conference's indignant attack on Tory stewardship of the health service was largely overlooked in the ensuing public uproar.

When the Tories debated health at their conference yesterday, they showed no sign of adopting a policy at variance with popular support for the National Health Service. On the contrary, they proclaimed their devotion to it at regular intervals and eschewed any radical policies that might even threaten to undermine it. With all its deficiencies, whether inherent or caused by governmental parsimony, the health service is "safe" — protected not so much by Mrs Thatcher as by a general political consensus resting upon strong popular appeal.

Mr Norman Fowler, the Secretary of State for Social Services, was therefore able to devote his speech to a defence of the government's record on health against the charges of neglect and meanness. This he did by quoting statistics of record hospital building programmes, reductions in waiting lists and increases in medical staff, patients treated and total health spending.

Mr Fowler won a genuinely spontaneous standing ovation from the Tory representatives, but the general public has been resistant to this line of argument up to now. To a degree this is unfair. The Government has been the victim of a redefinition of "increased spending." Since the cost of health care rises automatically with inflation, with advances in health technology and with demographic changes, a spending increase which merely accommodates these pressures is discounted. Only money on top of that is treated as a real increase. That is absurd by the usual tests of prudent finance, but it is the test that has been adopted by public opinion and the media.

The Government's claims that it has increased NHS expenditure even by that high standard, spending £11 billion more each year than the 1979 figure, are disbelieved because, at a local level, people see wards understaffed, shortages of equipment and eternal waiting lists. Mr Fowler yesterday outlined future spending to correct some of these deficiencies. No "new money" was involved. In the short term, however, simple administrative changes — for instance, to enable patients in areas of shortage to move for treatment to where their particular facilities are well-provided — might have a more visible effect.

Mr Fowler's defence will be judged partly by reports of the performance of the health service over the next year. But in responding reasonably to criticism, the Tories have at least taken the edge off any attack Labour might launch on them.

On the defence of the realm, the Tory debate suffered mainly from the tedium of hearing people loudly agreeing with each other. How long it will remain so is debatable, given the stresses and strains upon resources in the next few years. But the fact that things are still in place this year is not the least of the debts which Mrs. Thatcher owes to Mr. Neil Kinnock.

So Mr George Younger, the Defence Secretary, rose to address the party conference for the first time as Defence Secretary yesterday, assured of safe conduct from the faithful. Not only that but he could also speak in the near-certain knowledge that his audience would be listening. If defence is ever to be an issue at a general elevtion, then the next general election is the one.

But with Government defence spending about to start a steady downward movement in real terms, there are serious questions which will have to be addressed on the allocation of resources. This year's Defence White Paper acknowledged a downturn by about six per cent in available cash over the next three years. A reduction in the garrison on the Falklands together with some tighter housekeeping, delays in the ordering of equipment and no doubt a little legerdemain with the figures, should enable Whitehall to negotiate this.

But there is widespread concern over the position in the late 1980s. For a Labour Government the problems would not loom so large because it would save money by getting rid of the Trident nuclear missile. But the present Government has, rightly in our view, made the Trident system part of the central core in the defence programme, forcing any Defence Secretary to look elsewhere for any cuts.

Does he risk upsetting Nato by withdrawing significant numbers of troops from the British Army of the Rhine, or does he start axeing warships — thereby eroding a unique allied resource and Britain's capacity for out-of-area intervention? In 1981 his predecessor Mr John Nott decided on the latter alternative and was in grave danger of dividing his party, until the Falklands War overturned it all. Mr. Younger may have to look once more at the defence research industry in this country in an attempt to avoid making hard choices between the services.

For the time being he is relatively safe. This is partly because the situation has not yet gone critical. But it is also partly because Labour has diverted everyone's minds from the detailed decisions and turned them towards the more fundamental issues touching upon defence of the realm.

If Labour were to be defeated in an election fought largely on the issue of nuclear defence — and by their different conference tactics both Tories and Labour have made that a real possibility — it would be the third such defeat since 1964. A policy of nuclear defence based on Nato and the British independent deterrent would begin to seem as permanent a part of the political consensus as the health service now does. Britain might then begin to enjoy the stability of defence planning that France possesses by virtue of the general political support, including even the Communist Party, for the *force de frappe*. That did not seem to be on the agenda when the conference season began. It is now.

PROCESSION TO PEKING

On Saturday the Queen sets out for Peking on the first visit to China by a reigning British monarch. Her week-long tour promises to be as picturesque as it is symbolic: a pageant of contrasting sights and sounds which will set the seal on the Sino-British agreement on Hong Kong.

Only five years ago such a visit would have been inconceivable. Britain's imperial past with its legacy of economic involvement in South China, had made our country a byword for foreign interference in China even before the communist takeover in 1949. This legacy has been a perpetual handicap in our relations with the People's Republic of China ever since.

Now two generations of Chinese have grown up being taught that England was chief among those who plundered China's wealth and reduced her to the status of a semi-colony. They have been taught too that the institution of the monarchy, as epitomized by the British Royal Family, is one of the Western world's little anachronisms which will, like capitalism and the state, wither away in due course.

That the Queen will next week be received in Peking by China's communist party and state leaders illustrates the change that has taken place in China's attitude towards the outside world in recent years. It illustrates too the greater confidence now felt by the leaders of the People's Republic in assessing their country's story. Above all it illustrates the mood of diplomatic flexibility that now prevails in the Chinese leadership.

Deng Xiaoping and other senior Chinese leaders are engaged in a diplomatic season of unparalleled diversity. The Queen has been preceded to Peking by Caspar Weinberger, the US Secretary for Defence, who in turn, was preceded by Ireland's head of state and Communist Party leader, General Jaruzelski — the first orthodox East European communist leader to visit China since the Soviet Union broke with China more than 25 years ago. And the Queen will be followed to China by the East German party leader, Erich Honecker, who makes his first visit to China later this month.

For the Chinese leadership, this diplomatic flexibility is part of a relatively new, but nonetheless coherent policy of maintaining a balance in relations between East and West and being beholden to neither. This month's succession of visitors to Peking maintains this balance.

China's first flush of enthusiasm for the United States has given way to a realistic acceptance of what can and cannot be changed in US-Chinese relations — on both sides. Mr Weinberger has this week impressed on the Chinese the view that the partial Soviet withdrawal from Afghanistan promised for this autumn is a deception. The Chinese, who find the Soviet military presence in Afghanistan as unacceptable as the West does, will no doubt take note of this view. But they have also welcomed the symbolic value of the Soviet gesture, which was directed by Moscow as much towards Peking as towards the West.

The East European visitors will likewise have their points to make to the Chinese leaders. They may offer advantageous trade terms, which China — lumbered with obsolete Soviet plant from the honeymoon period of Sino-Soviet relations — will probably welcome. The East Europeans for their part will welcome the added diplomatic outlet that improved relations with Peking affords. Following Moscow into the Sino-Soviet dispute restricted Poland and East Germany in their relations with the Far East and pushed them into the role of aid-givers to Vietnam, a role which is probably not entirely to their liking.

It is a sign of changing times that Chinese leaders are prepared to entertain leaders from so disparate a group of countries in such rapid sequence. But it is equally significant that countries of such divergent orientations should show so serious an interest in improved relations with China. This represents a success for China's policy of judging each country separately, on its own merits, regardless of its bloc allegiance — China's version of "differentiation". But it also means that China is not alone in seeing its future as part of a wider world. The wider world sees China's future in a similar light.

The Queen's coming visit to China is almost entirely ceremonial and symbolic; more so than those other visits being made to Peking this month; considerably more so than the prime minister's visit to China two years ago. But the importance of ceremonial and symbolism even in today's more materialistic and prosaic China should not be underestimated.

When the Queen sails down the Pearl River from Canton to Hong Kong in the Royal Yacht Britannia, she will be laying the ghosts of the gunboats that sailed up river more than a century ago to punish the Chinese for trying to halt the illicit opium trade. And those Chinese who turn out to see her — there may be more than imagines — will be helping to dismantle a whole edifice of received untruths about the historical relationship between Britain and China. If even some of those myths are buried, then it is not only the people of Britain and China who will benefit but it is to be hoped, the people of Hong Kong as well.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Protection in house price boom

From the President of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors

Sir, Your interesting series of articles on the house price boom (September 29, 30, October 1) is entirely right in one respect, but quite wrong in another.

It is right to draw attention to the plight of first-time buyers, who often have to borrow more than they can comfortably afford to repay in order to get a foot on the bottom of the housing ladder. To the extent that the building societies and other agencies sometimes encourage an unwise level of indebtedness they are not really doing the borrower a good turn.

But it is wrong to suppose that the house price boom can be cured simply by tightening up on mortgage lending.

The price of houses, like that of anything else which can be bought and sold, is determined by supply and demand. House prices outstrip inflation only when the effective demand exceeds the supply.

The effective demand for houses is certainly affected by the lending policies of the building societies and banks. But they are not the only factor. And easy credit only pushes up prices where there are not enough houses or flats to meet the demand which is created.

The only long-term solution to spiralling house prices is to increase the number of houses and flats available. Britain badly needs more houses — at least a million more — to cater for the growth in the number of households, to replace unfit housing and to provide a margin of empty housing awaiting reoccupation or disposal.

Building more housing, for rent as well as for sale, needs a much more comprehensive overhaul of housing policies than has so far been suggested in *The Times*. Both the recent RICS report, *Housing — the Next Decade*, and the report of the Duke of Edinburgh's inquiry into British housing have suggested how it could be achieved, and at the same time how to bring some logic and fairness to the jumble of subsidies, tax relief, rent controls and other measures by which housing in this country is governed.

Both reports should be compulsory reading for everyone who is interested in better housing at a price that people can afford.

Yours faithfully,
DONALD TROUP, President,
The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors,
12 Great George Street, SW1.

From Mr K. B. Sutton

Sir, There used to be something called supply and demand. Now, according to your Spectrum article of September 29, there seems to be something called lax lending and irresponsible borrowers.

The tone of your article and indeed the quotation from Sir Gordon Borrie perpetuates the view that it is entirely the fault of institutions, mortgage brokers and estate agents when people find they have a problem paying for their mortgage.

As a mortgage broker we find the opposite to be true. A large number of enquiries are received by us which never proceed to mortgage application because the potential borrower is shopping around for the maximum loan at the cheapest rate with the largest multiple of income they can find. People who are doing that have a great deal of time to think about it and to consider the costs.

House buyers should not need protecting from the consequences of their own actions. They must know what they can afford. If a mortgage is going to cost them too much money there is one simple word in the language to help them out of the problem — "No"!

We certainly do not advocate irresponsible borrowing and excessively high multiples or percentages of value. But provided a mortgage and its costs are fully explained, who are we to say to our clients "No, we are not willing to put you in touch with such and such an institution who can give you what *you* want."

It takes two sides to make a bargain. It is utterly ludicrous to suggest that it is the fault of the institutions, who should expect to "face the prospect of Government regulations" if they do not stop offering the public what they want.

Most people know what they can afford. Do allow them the freedom to choose. This is certainly a case where "Nanny does not know best".

Yours faithfully,
K. B. SUTTON,
Mortgage Manager,
Conquest Financial Services,
Huntworth, Bridgwater, Somerset.

Nuclear deterrence

From Sir Clive Rose

Sir, No responsible person will disagree with Monsignor Bruce Kent (October 6) in his detestation of nuclear weapons and his fear of the consequences of their use. This is why it is essential to do everything possible to prevent it. There should be no doubt about the sincerity of President Reagan and Mr Gorbachov when they jointly declared in Geneva last November that "a nuclear war cannot be won and must never be fought".

Nato governments of all political persuasions, their ministries of defence and their chiefs of staff have, for more than 30 years, endorsed the doctrine of deterrence as the best way of achieving this. Monsignor Kent has had to resort to the well-worn device of selective quotation in his attempt to justify his criticism of the doctrine.

What Lord Carrington actually said last December was:

> The Alliance relies on nuclear weapons — and very largely on American nuclear weapons — to do three things: to deter the use of force against us, whether it be nuclear or conventional; to provide credible retaliatory capabilities if deterrence fails and we are attacked; and to give us an effective counter to nuclear blackmail in a world where nuclear weapons exist and cannot be disinvented.

Nuclear weapons deter because of the possibility of their use, and by no other means. If deterrence failed and Nato was in danger of defeat, the Alliance would have the awesome task of deciding whether to retaliate with nuclear weapons.

There is nothing automatic about this decision. Assessing the risk of escalation would be a crucial factor. The view that escalation would be inevitable, however eminent the authority to which it is attributed, is based purely on subjective judgement, not tested by any experience. The probability will never be zero, but it can certainly not be assumed to be 100 per cent.

Of course any degree of risk is profoundly disturbing, and God forbid therefore that the need for such a decision should ever arise. If it did, the fervent hope must be that statesmen on both sides would draw back from the abyss. But nothing would be better calculated to reduce the credibility of deterrence than for Nato to forswear in all circumstances the option to use nuclear weapons, and, if necessary, to use them first.

Lord Mountbatten did not make this mistake. He argued that

> We are most likely to preserve peace if there is a military balance between East and West. The real need is for both sides to replace the attempts to maintain a balance through ever-increasing and ever more costly nuclear armaments by a balance based on mutual restraint.

This is what the negotiations in Geneva and next week's summit in Reykjavik are all about.

Yours faithfully,
CLIVE ROSE,
Chimney House,
Lavenham, Sudbury, Suffolk.

Post haste

From Mr A. A. K. Whitehouse

Sir, Your correspondents today (October 1) expect that the postal service will improve, but can modern tehnology and organisation ever give us the service which prevailed early in the century?

In the first decade of this century, whilst walking high on the Lake District mountains, my father broke his spectacles. In the late afternoon he reached the post office of the village where he was staying. He sent off a telegram to his optician in London. When he came down to breakfast next morning new spectacles were awaiting him.

This seems unbelievable today, but then the optician, working long hours, looked up the prescription, assembled some new spectacles, sent his boy round to Euston and put them on the night train for urgent delivery next morning.

Yours sincerely,
A. A. K. WHITEHOUSE,
The White House,
Olney, Buckinghamshire.
October 1.

Troops in Afghanistan

From Mr Andrew Carnegie

Sir, Your front page headline "Afghan withdrawal begins 'in few days' " (later editions, October 3) would delight the Afghan KGB and their brothers in Moscow.

It gives just the impression the Soviets wish to create of a steady de-escalation in Afghanistan, timely of course with the UN Assembly.

Returning as I just have from Afghanistan and neighbouring Pakistan, I can say that it is no secret that the troops being withdrawn are Soviet anti-aircraft divisions, and as the Mujahedeen are about as far away from having an air force as they ever were, it makes such a withdrawal totally meaningless.

Unless, of course, reputable western newspapers represent it as a genuine gesture at a time when Soviet policy is in fact one of violent escalation against the civilian population.

Yours faithfully,
ANDREW CARNEGIE,
7 Bloomfield Terrace, SW1.
October 6.

Illegal immigrants

From Mr A. M. Housley

Sir, According to Home Office figures reported in your columns (October 1), 1,114 illegal entrants to the United Kingdom were detected in 1985. Assuming that most ports of entry operate seven days of the week, this represents the not exactly alarming daily average of just over three illegal entrants, of whom 2¼ leave voluntarily or are deported.

One is bound to wonder what the everlasting fuss over illegal immigrants is really all about, particularly in view of the recent proposal to impose a visa requirement on visitors from certain Commonwealth countries and Pakistan.

Yours faithfully,
ANDREW HOUSLEY,
Ealing Community Relations Council,
2 The Green,
High Street,
Ealing, W5.
October 2.

Speaking up on pupils' behalf

From Mr Paul Farmer

Sir, As head of a Brixton comprehensive school I take exception to the assertion by Amanda Atha and Sarah Drummond (Spectrum, October 6) that "State school pupils are sloppy, spotty and *louche*". It is a breathtakingly unfair and unkind assault, both on children in general and on the State system of education, only further reinforced by the corollary of the preceding statement, "In private schools, manners are good and the pupils are clean and polite".

The vast majority of pupils at my school dress well; some of them dress very well. Their manners can be and usually are good, and they enjoy showing off themselves and their school to visitors. They may be very occasionally spotty (are private schoolchildren immune to this teenage problem?) but invariably they are clean.

Far from being *louche*, their openness, straightforwardness and sense of fairness can be quite disarming. And all this is achieved in spite of their lack of privilege (65 per cent are on free meals) and as a result of the expectations of decent parents and conscientious teachers.

At a time when parents of primary schoolchildren are considering their choices of secondary schools it is unfortunate the *The Times* should support so-called research which contains provocative and misleading statements. The real state of secondary schools is readily available for all to see.

As far as Dick Sheppard School is concerned we welcome visitors any Monday morning (polite, clean and well dressed pupils will receive you in the foyer), and whilst we cannot guarantee perfection, like most secondary schools we have little to hide and a lot to offer.

Yours faithfully,
PAUL FARMER, Head Teacher,
Dick Sheppard School,
Tulse Hill, SW2.
October 6.

Student loans

From Mr K. J. Blois

Sir, The current discussion of student loans appears to ignore the problems which will be confronted by students who are physically handicapped.

Their number is slowly increasing, as a result of improved medical treatment, greater recognition by the public that a physical handicap does not necessarily involve a mental handicap and a greater acceptance by "normal" (as distinct from "special") schools of such children.

But although many firms are most generous in their contributions to charities, it really is questionable whether they can be expected to make loans or sponsor handicapped students.

Such students often have the expectancy of relatively short working lives due to the progressive nature of their condition. Others with non-progressive problems will be considered by many employers to be "unemployable".

It is important that the problems of this group of young people should be recognized. It would be inequitable if we added yet another problem to lives which already face so many disadvantages.

Yours faithfully,
K. J. BLOIS,
54 Newland Mill,
Witney,
Oxfordshire.
October 1.

Out of sight

From Mr Philip Joseph

Sir, Lord Craigton's plea (October 4) for the provision of name labels with clearer type is well founded.

However, the real answer lies in persuading people to wear their name badges on their right shoulders and not on their left as is usually done. We shake hands with our right hands, when the left shoulder gets thrown back at the vital moment of eye contact and the surface of the badge is then presented obliquely away from the viewer.

Then, even if one is not myopic, one is still obliged to look someone right in the turned away shoulder while greeting them. It is not elegant.

Yours faithfully,
PHILIP JOSEPH, Director,
Books Etc Ltd,
120 Charing Cross Road, WC2.
October 6.

Policing in Bristol

From the Chief Constable of Avon and Somerset Constabulary

Sir, Since Miles Kington (feature, October 2) is so interested in policing events in Bristol I should be delighted to provide the opportunity for him to meet those officers who, when the public are at risk, have to take difficult decisions such as whether to mount a siege or to sustain it in the absence of the certain knowledge that an armed criminal has fled. I am sure they would be interested to learn from his experience in these matters.

Incidentally, had he bothered to check on the number of arrests for drug-related offences in the recent operation in St Paul's he could have learned that in fact 60 were arrested.

Yours faithfully,
RONALD F. BROOME,
Chief Constable,
Avon and Somerset Constabulary,
Chief Constable's Office,
Bristol, Avon.
October 3.

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DRESS-MAKERS

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES.

Sir,— . . . I plead in behalf of a numerous class of helpless females, the victims of a tyranny but little known to the public, and least of all, probably, contemplated by those of higher rank, in whose cause they suffer. The hardships and privations experienced by the young women apprenticed or hired to dress-makers in this metropolis, so far exceed the sufferings of any other description of persons in this country, not excepting the parish poor, and scarcely even the inmates of our prisons, that I would fain hope that they need only to be pointed out to public notice in order to be redressed. The lot of domestic servants is to be envied, in comparison to that of the persons to whom I now allude . . . Exceptions may undoubtedly be found. I myself know of many instances in which these young persons are treated with great kindness: their hours of labour moderate: their religious and moral conduct watched over; and as much of comfort extended to them, as is perhaps consistent with the present state of society in this great town. Nevertheless, these are but exceptions. The treatment experienced by the generality of young females so employed is cruel in the extreme.

The year, among dress-makers, is divided into seasons. The autumn and spring are the seasons of business; the former beginning in November, and ending in January; the latter extending from March to July, the period when the chief part of the nobility and gentry leave town for their summer residences and excursions. Thus, nearly two-thirds of the year are fully occupied; the remainder is a state of comparative inactivity, during which the greater number of persons thus engaged are dismissed, to subsist as they can until the ensuing season.

In almost all the houses of extensive business in the dress-making line, the day and night are apportioned in the following manner:— The young women rise either at six or seven o'clock according as they may happen to go earlier or later to bed. They sit at work till 8 or 9, when they spend about half an hour, at most, at breakfast. At dinner, which varies in different houses, from 2 to 7 o'clock, as much time is allowed. And at some later hour, they employ a short time in taking their tea. In most cases this is the last meal allowed. After this they continue to work without intermission till 12 or one o'clock in the morning — that is when business is slack, as they call it; but when orders are numerous and pressing, they are kept up till three or four in the morning, or even later if necessary; and not seldom in the course of the season they sit up all night, and continue their labour on the following day. On one occasion during the present season, they were only in bed 8 hours altogether in three successive nights; but then it was to execute an order for mourning! A wedding is to them not less disastrous. Upon one plea or another of this kind, and sometimes to gratify the wish of some capricious female of rank who must have her order for a new dress executed at a few hours' notice, it may be fairly computed that, upon an average, during the busy season, they sit at work 18 out of every 24 hours. The sabbath, which to the labouring poor, and even to our beasts of burden, is a day of rest, here often brings no solace nor intermission of labour with it. The work of Saturday night is protracted to a late hour on Sunday morning; and not infrequently the whole of Sunday is thus occupied.

Such incessant labour, it might be supposed, would be rewarded with comforts in other respects; but they are sometimes as ill fed as they are hard worked. Will it be believed that in some houses of this description no provision is made for their young women on Sundays? Yet such I know to be the fact. They are expected to spend the day out, whether they have friends in town to receive them or not . . . I have known an instance of a young woman being thus compelled to pass the day between the hours of service in walking the streets until the return of evening; and with hardly the means of purchasing a scanty meal at the pastrycook's; . . .

I perceive that I have trespassed too much on your valuable paper, but I trust the magnitude of the object will be an excuse. I remain yours respectfully.

C.

Incident in Verona

From Sir John Colville

Sir, The effect of insult and injury in Verona, of which Mr Christopher McCall writes (October 6), can be widespread.

Many years ago my wife and I engaged an Italian girl as a cook. She could not cook and she arrived from Italy pregnant, having heard that the British welfare state provided free maternity services.

I told the Prime Minister of this unfortunate imbroglio, adding that the girl's condition was due to a chance meeting after dark in a street in Verona.

"Not one of the Two Gentlemen, I presume", said Sir Winston.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
JOHN COLVILLE,
The Close, Broughton,
Nr Stockbridge, Hampshire.

Streets ahead

From Mr P. E. L. Fellowes

Sir, "Fleet Street" may become an anachronism, but "Grub Street" will live forever.

Yours faithfully,
PEREGRINE FELLOWES,
The Court,
Chipping Campden, Gloucestershire.

COURT AND SOCIAL

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
October 8: The Queen arrived at Buckingham Palace this afternoon.

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, President of the British Olympic Association, this afternoon attended the Annual General Meeting of the Association at the Cafe Royal, Regent Street, W1.

Mrs Timothy Holderness Roddam and Lieutenant-Colonel Peter Gibbs were in attendance.

The Queen was represented by the Right Hon Sir William Heseltine at the Memorial Service for Mr Richard Cawston which was held in All Souls Church, Langham Place, W1, today.

The Duke of Edinburgh was represented by Mr Michael Shea.

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips was represented by Lieutenant-Colonel Peter Gibbs.

Mrs John Dugdale has succeeded Lady Abel Smith as Lady in Waiting to The Queen.

KENSINGTON PALACE
October 8: The Princess of Wales, Patron, Help the Aged, this evening attended a Gala Performance of *The Phantom of the Opera* in aid of the charity, at Her Majesty's Theatre, Haymarket.

Miss Anne Beckwith-Smith and Lieutenant Commander Richard Aylard, RN, were in attendance.

The Princess of Wales was represented by Sir John Riddell, Bt, at the Memorial Service for Mr Richard Cawston which was held in All Souls Church, Langham Place, W1, today.

KENSINGTON PALACE
October 8: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon this evening visited the Deptford Mission and attended a Service at St Paul's Church, Deptford.

The Lady Glenconner was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
October 8: The Duchess of Gloucester, Colonel-in-Chief, Royal Army Educational Corps, this morning received Major-General Sir Richard Trant on relinquishing the appointment as Representative Colonel Commandant, and Major-General Edward Jones on assuming the appointment.

In the evening Her Royal Highness, as Patron, was present at the "Starlight Ball" in aid of Asthma Research Council at the Hilton Hotel, London W1.

Mrs Howard Page was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE
October 8: The Duke of Kent, as Colonel-in-Chief of The Devonshire and Dorset Regiment, today received Colonel Edward Tremlett on his assuming the appointment of Regimental Secretary and Brigadier John Randle on his relinquishing the appointment.

The Duke of Kent, Vice-Chairman of the British Overseas Trade Board, this evening attended the first Annual Dinner of Members of the British Agricultural Export Council at Caledonian Club, Halkin Street, London SW1.

Captain Michael Campbell-Lamerton was in attendance.

The Duchess of Kent, Patron, today attended the Annual General Meeting of Unicef at the International Maritime Organization, Albert Embankment, London SE1.

Miss Sarah Partridge was in attendance.

Princess Anne, President of the Missions to Seamen, will attend a concert at St John's, Smith Square, on October 14 and a buffet supper afterwards.

The Duke of Kent celebrates his birthday today.

A memorial service for Sir Iain Sutherland will be held at the Crown Court Church of Scotland, Russell Street, WC2, at noon today.

A memorial service for Colonel Jonathan Alford will be held at St Martin-in-the-Fields at 3pm today.

Luncheons

Imperial Society of Knights Bachelor

Sir Colin Cole, Garter King of Arms and Knight Principal of the Imperial Society of Knights Bachelor, presided at a council meeting of the society held at the Reform Club yesterday. Sir Amar Maini was host at a luncheon held afterwards. Among those present were:

Sir Arthur Driver and Sir Gilbert Inglefield (honorary deputy knights principal), Sir Alexander Dorte (chairman of council), Sir Roger Falk (registrar), Lord Fraser of Kilmorack, Sir Austin Bide, Sir Eric Cheadle, Sir Robert Crichton-Brown, Sir William Harris, Sir Ian McFarlane, Sir David Napley, Sir John Tilney and Mr Robert Esden (clerk to the council).

Lunchtime Comment Club

Mr Max Hastings was the guest speaker at a luncheon of the Lunchtime Comment Club held yesterday at the Connaught Rooms. Mr S. John Holt, chairman, presided.

Dinners

Tobacco Pipe Makers' and Tobacco Blenders' Company

The Master of the Tobacco Pipe Makers' and Tobacco Blenders' Company, Mr L.A. Chapuis, presided at a dinner held at the Mansion House yesterday. The other speakers were Colonel and Alderman Sir Ronald Gardner-Thorpe, Lord Mancroft, Mr G.H. Challis and the Remembrancer. Among others present were:

The Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany, Lady Gardner-Thorpe, Mr Alderman and Sheriff and Mrs Michael Graham; the Master of the Glass Sellers' Company, the Master of the Company of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators, the Master of the Society of Merchant Venturers of Bristol and the Headmaster of Sevenoaks School and their ladies.

Tin Plate Workers' Company

The Company of Tin Plate Workers alias Wire Workers held their quarterly dinner at Tallow Chandlers' Hall yesterday. The Master, Mr C. N. Packett, presided. The Rev Neville Barker Cryer was the guest of honour and Mr J. C. Sharman also spoke.

Fertiliser Manufacturers Association

Mr J. B. Walker, President of the Fertiliser Manufacturers Association, presided at the annual dinner held at the Savoy Hotel yesterday. Mr James Provan, MEP, was among those present.

Oundle School

The Master of the Grocers' Company was host at dinner in Grocers' Hall on Thursday, October 2 to inaugurate the Oundle School appeal for £1 million to build a new sports hall, library, physics building and other facilities. The appeal already stands at £279,000. Speakers at the dinner were Mr John Whitmore, Master of the Grocers' Company, Mr David McMurray, Headmaster of Oundle School, and Mr Bernard Ashford, appeal director.

British Institute of International and Comparative Law

The British Institute of International and Comparative Law's Grotius dinner, held in honour of Lord Denning and Sir Maurice Bathurst, QC, took place yesterday at Lincoln's Inn. Lord Goff of Chieveley presided and those present included Sir Patrick Neill, QC, benefactors of the institute (including Mr D. Summers of Butterworth and Company (Publishing) Limited), members of the institute's appeal committee, council of management, advisory boards and Editorial Board of the *International and Comparative Law Quarterly*, and members of the institute and their guests.

Energy Industries Council

The annual dinner of the Energy Industries Council was held at Grosvenor House yesterday. Mr Eddie Kiernan, chairman, presided and Mr Peter Everett was the guest speaker.

Reception

Mr D. Walters, MP

Mr Dennis Walters, MP, Chairman of the Conservative Middle East Council, was host at the council's reception held yesterday in honour of the Arab Ambassadors at the Wessex Hotel, Bournemouth. Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, MP, was the principal guest.

Forthcoming marriages

Lord Cardross and Miss C. Beaumont
The engagement is announced between Harry Erskine, elder son of the Earl and Countess of Buchan, of Newnham House, Newnham, Basingstoke, and Charlotte, daughter of the Hon Matthew Beaumont, of 71 West Side, Clapham Common, London, SW4, and Mrs Alexander Maitland, of 58 Redcliffe Gardens, London, SW10.

Mr L.R. Allan and Miss A.M. Hayden
The engagement is announced between Laurie, son of Mr and Mrs K.M. Allan, of Oswestry, Shropshire, and Annabelle, daughter of Mrs C.W. Hayden and the late Mr F.O. Hayden, of Ashtead, Surrey.

Mr G.R. Bowring and Miss F.C. Culmer
The engagement is announced between Giles Richard, only son of Mr and Mrs Richard Bowring, of Lawkland Hall, Austwick, Lancashire, and Felicity Clare, younger daughter of Mr John Culmer, and Mrs Richard Patrick, of Woodbridge, Suffolk.

Dr J.W. Carter and Dr K.S. Haworth
The engagement is announced between John W. Carter, of Cape Town, South Africa, and Kathleen S. Haworth, of Bury, Lancashire.

Dr J.A. Cook and Miss V.S. Reid
The engagement is announced between James Anthony, son of Mr and Mrs J. Cook, of El Sauzel, Tenerife, and Sue, second daughter of Mr L. Reid, CBE, and Mrs N. Reid, of Abbotswood, Guildford.

Mr J.B. Cunningham-Batt and Miss A.L. Tipple
The engagement is announced between Jonathan Barrie, younger son of Mr and Mrs M.D.B. Cunningham-Batt, of Colchester, and Alexandra Louise, elder daughter of the late Mr A.N. Tipple and Mrs V.C. Tipple, of Solihull.

Mr M.R. Harvey and Miss A.L. Wilkes
The engagement is announced between Marcus Robert, only son of Dr and Mrs Brian R. Harvey, of Holderslea, Grindley Lane, Blythe Bridge, Staffordshire, and Amelia Lucy, second daughter of Mr and Mrs Brian T. Wilkes, of Lower House, Church Pulverbatch, Shropshire.

Mr J.R.G. Hilditch and Miss M.A. Dutton
The engagement is announced between James, elder son of Mr and Mrs J.F. Hilditch, of Beaconsfield, Buckinghamshire, and Mary, only daughter of Mr and Mrs J.M.R. Dutton, of Awbridge, Hampshire.

Mr S. Hua and Miss S.E.R. Noble
The engagement is announced between Shan, son of Mr Hua Longyi and Mrs Zhao Ning, of China, and Sarah, eldest daughter of Mr James Noble, of Portugal Place, Cambridge, and Mrs Patricia Noble, of 190 Goldhurst Terrace, London, NW6.

Mr T.J. Lindberg and Miss D.E. Gent
The engagement is announced between Tim, son of Mr and Mrs C. Lindberg, of Boston, Massachusetts, and Diana, daughter of Mr and Mrs H.A. Gent, of Verona, Italy.

Mr A.A.J. MacDonald and Miss E.M. Schierbeek
The engagement is announced between Angus Alexander James, son of Captain and Mrs W.T. MacDonald, of Ardrahan House, Whitehead, Co Antrim, and Ella Martine, daughter of Dr R.L. Schierbeek, OBE, and Mrs Schierbeek, of Windrush, Antrim, Northern Ireland.

Mr S.R. Reid and Miss C.J. Evans
The engagement is announced between Stuart Robin, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Alan Reid, of Bath, and Charlotte Julia, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Evans, of Dulwich.

Mr A.W. Macmillan Douglas of Brigton, yr, and Miss R.J. Meynell
The engagement is announced between Angus William, son of Major and Mrs I.L.E. Macmillan Douglas of Brigton, Brigton, Douglastown, Angus, and Rosemary Jane, daughter of Mr and Mrs Hugh Meynell, of Brockton Court, Shifnal, Shropshire.

Mr A.D. Sparrow and Miss C.M. Campa
The engagement is announced between Andrew, younger son of Mr and Mrs G.M.H. Sparrow, and Conchita, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Campa, both of north-west London.

Mr P.B. Tew and Miss P.L. Thomas
The engagement is announced between Peter, only son of Mr and Mrs C.H. Tew, of Broadstone, Dorset, and Lynne, only daughter of Mr and Mrs J.V. Thomas, of Southport, Merseyside.

Mr P.E.P. Tronand Miss C.M. De Luca
The engagement is announced between Peter, eldest son of Mr and Mrs A.R. Tron, of Stevenage, and Cosimina, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs A. De Luca, of Hitchin, Hertfordshire.

Lieutenant P.M. Wainwright, RN, and Miss F.M. McDowall
The engagement is announced between Philip, younger son of Mr and Mrs Derrick Wainwright, of Felpham, Sussex, and Frances, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Keith McDowall, of Ash, Sevenoaks.

Mr S.W. Webster and Miss L.A. Casey
The engagement is announced between Stephen, elder son of Mr and Mrs W.A. Webster, of Leicester, and Leigh Anne, daughter of Mr P. Casey, of Sydney, Australia, and Mrs L. Reed, of Northampton.

Appointments

Sir William Barlow

Sir William Barlow, chairman of BICC, to be President of the Federation of British Electrotechnical and Allied Manufacturers' Associations (BEAMA).

Mr D.H. Gillmore to succeed Sir William Harding as Deputy Under-Secretary of State (Americas/Asia), Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

Legal

Mr Vivan Reeves to be County Court Registrar for the districts of Bangor, Caernarfon, Conwy and Colwyn, Llangefni, Porthmadog and Rhyl county courts and joint District Registrar in the district registry of the High Court at Bangor, Caernarfon and Rhyl, from November 3.

Birthdays today

Baroness Berkeley, 81; Mr Brian Blessed, 49; Mr Paul Channon, MP, 51; Lord Chelmer, 72; the Right Rev Lord Coggan, 77; Dr William Cole, 77; Mr Denzil Davies, MP, 48; Mr S. L. Devlin, 55; Lord Donaldson of Kingsbridge, 79; Major-General C. E. A. Firth, 84; Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone, CH, 79; Miss Mary Jarred, 87; Mr H. U. A. Lambert, 61; Mr Don McCullin, 51; Sir John Margetson, 59; Mr Steve Ovett, 31; Sir Norman Payne, 65; Earl St Aldwyn, 74; Mr Donald Sinden, 63; Colonel the Earl of Stair, 80.

Abominaball

The Abominaball, in aid of St Joseph's Hospice Training Unit, will take place on January 6, 1987, at Grosvenor House, Park Lane. Application forms are available from 01-937 0418.

Marriages

Mr C.R. Clarence-Smith and Miss B.A. Lovell
The marriage took place on October 1, in San Diego, California, of Mr Christopher Clarence-Smith, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Kenneth Clarence-Smith, of Neatishead, Norfolk, and Miss Bridget Lovell, daughter of the late Wing Commander M.G.L. Lovell and Mrs M.G.L. Lovell, of Minehead, Somerset.

Mr S.C. Herrtage and Miss E.M.R. Eyre
The marriage took place on Saturday, October 4, at St Andrews Church, Great Staughton, of Mr Simon Herrtage, son of the late Mr Derry Herrtage and Mrs Zina Edmunds, and Miss Esther Eyre, daughter of Air Commodore and Mrs Ambrose Eyre, of Bath.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Grace Vane Percy, Emily Herrtage, Toby Herrtage, Elizabeth Woodcock, Thomas Goldser and Catherine Lowe. Mr Jeremy Hill was best man.

Mr M.K. Sivers and Mrs M.A. Radcliff
The marriage took place in London, on Wednesday, October 8, between Mr Michael Kenneth Sivers and Mrs Mary Ann Radcliff.

Dr P.A. Holmes and Miss E.A. Waugh
The marriage took place on Saturday, September 27, 1986, at the Parish Church of St Andrew, North Berwick, Scotland, of Dr Paul Anthony Holmes, youngest son of Mrs Dorothy Holmes, and the late Mr Gordon Holmes, Ilkley, West Yorkshire, and Miss Elspeth Anne Waugh, elder daughter of Dr and Mrs W. Norman Waugh, North Berwick, Scotland.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Miss Kirsty Waugh and Miss Ellena Holmes. Mr Simon Holmes was best man. The honeymoon is being spent in Iceland.

Mr P.C. Pauling and Miss K.M. Harper
The marriage took place on September 26, in Verbier, Switzerland, of Mr Peter Pauling, second son of Dr Linus Pauling, of Honolulu, Hawaii, and Mme Anita Oser, of Dordogne, France, and Miss Katherine Harper, youngest daughter of Dr and Mrs James Harper, of Kirkcudbright, Scotland.

Memorial services

Mr R. Cawston
The Queen was represented by Sir William Heseltine, who also read the first lesson, at a service of thanksgiving for the life of Mr Richard Cawston held at All Souls, Langham Place, yesterday. The Duke of Edinburgh was represented by Mr Michael Shea, the Prince of Wales by Sir John Riddell and Princess Anne by Lieutenant-Colonel Peter Gibbs.

The Rev Richard Bewes officiated and the Right Rev John Poole Hughes read "In Memoriam" by Tennyson. Mr Aladair Milne, Director-General of the BBC, read the second lesson. Mr Antony Jay, Chairman of Visual Arts, and Mr Sydney Samuelson, British Academy of Film and Television Arts, gave addresses. Among others present were:

Mrs Cawston (widow), Mr Tim Cawston and Mr David Cawston (sons), Sir Michael and Lady Mustill and Mr and Mrs Nicholas Phillips (brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law), Dr and Mrs N B Eastwood, the Rev Arthur Cawston, Mr John Cawston, Dr and Mrs J Eastwood, Mr and Mrs J Stickland, Mrs Sylvia Dibben, Mr and Mrs M Hughes, Mrs R Purvis, Mrs Willoughby Jones.

Mr Brian Wenham (managing director, BBC Radio) and Mrs Wenham with Mr Bill Cotton (managing director, BBC Television), Mr Alan Protheroe (assistant director-general), Miss Patricia Hodgson (secretary), Mr Will Wyatt (head of documentary features, Television), Mr John Drummond (controller, Music), Mr David Barlow (controller, Public Affairs), Mr Stephen Hearst, Miss Margaret Douglas.

Lord Brabourne, Lady Chalfont, Lady Heseltine, the Hon Kenneth Lamb, Sir Roger Cary, Sir William van Straubenzee, MP, Lieutenant-Colonel Sir John Johnston, Mr Graham Benson (chairman, Delta) and Mrs Benson with Mr Richard Price (treasurer); Mr Peter Robinson (managing director, Video Arts) with Mr Michael Peacock (director) and Mrs Peacock; Mrs Alasdair Milne, Mr Ronald Allison (Thames TV), Mr Dickie Arbiter (Independent Radio News), Mr Johnnie Goodman (Euston Films), Mr Peter Dimmock (vice-president, American Broadcasting Companies Worldwide Sales and Marketing TV Sports, and managing director, ABC Sports International), Mr David Joyce (public relations manager, Shell UK) and Mrs Joyce.

Mr Hugh Hunt, Mr and Mrs John Hasfam, Miss Felicity Simpson, Mrs Arthur Neal, Miss Vivian Johnstone, Mr and Mrs R Johnstone, Miss Catherine Clegg, Mrs S Samuelson, Mr and Mrs Shaun Sutton, Mrs C Dunkley, Mr Humphrey Burton, Mr John Barnes, Mr Ronald Harwood, Mr John Lee, Mr John Grist, Mr Trevor Philpott, Mr David Croft, Mr Robert Alexander, QC, and Mrs Alexander, Mrs Michael Wall, Mr and Mrs D Blamey, Dr Malcolm McKerrow, Mrs Mary Peltz, Mrs Nancy Thomas, Mr and Mrs Leonard Miall, Mr Peter Batty, Miss Susan Jacobs, Mr and Mrs Barry Took, Mr Denis Norden, Miss E Poole Hughes, Mr and Mrs F Carr, Mr John Cain, Mr James Bredin, Mr and Mrs David Darby, Mr John Hamilton and Mr and Mrs David de Yong.

Lord Woolley
Viscount Leverhulme, Lord-Lieutenant of Cheshire, gave an address at a memorial service for Lord Woolley held yesterday in Chester Cathedral. The Vice-Dean of Chester, Canon W. Vanstone, officiated, assisted by the Rev J.M.G. Davies. The Hon W. Graham Woolley, son, and Mr John Platt read the lessons.

Philip Larkin memorial fund

The Poet Laureate, Ted Hughes, and the author, Kingsley Amis, are helping to establish a fund in memory of Philip Larkin, the poet and novelist, which will be used to buy modern literary manuscripts for libraries in the United Kingdom and to help Hull University to establish a Philip Larkin room.

Gifts and donations should be sent to the Secretary, Philip Larkin Memorial Appeal Fund, 14 Store Street, London WC1E 7DG.

Needlemakers' Company

The following have been elected officers of the Needlemakers' Company for the ensuing year: Master, Mr J.D. Foster; Senior Warden, Sir Henry Warner; Junior Warden, Sir Jasper Hollom.

Latest wills

Mrs Grace Wyndham Goldie, of Hammersmith, London, formerly head of talks and current affairs, BBC Television, who pioneered the handling of politics on television, left estate valued at £207,192 net.

Mr G.M. Godfrey

Mr Gerald Michael Godfrey, QC, has been appointed a Judge of the High Court in Hong Kong.

University news

Salford
Mr Bill Bradshaw, formerly general manager of BR's Western Region, has been appointed to the British Rail chair in transport management, department of geography.

London
King's College London (KQC)
Dr J. Wilson-Barnett has been appointed to the chair of nursing studies.

Dr M. Green, of Bristol University, has been appointed to the chair of inorganic chemistry.

Dr N. A. Staines has been appointed professor of immunology.

Open
Dr John Bynner, reader in educational research methodology, has been appointed to a single tenure chair in education.

City
Mr Hugh Stephenson, former editor of the *New Statesman*, and a former editor of *The Times* Business News, has been appointed professor of journalism and director of the university's postgraduate centre for journalism. He succeeds Professor John Dodge.

Music award

Mr Robert Ponsonby, formerly Controller of Music at the BBC, has won the Leslie Boosey award, sponsored by the Royal Philharmonic Society and the Performing Right Society, for his contribution towards contemporary music.

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MR HAL B. WALLIS

The man who produced *Casablanca*

Mr Hal B. Wallis, a Hollywood producer whose name appeared on more than 400 films, including *Casablanca*, *The Maltese Falcon* and *True Grit*, died on October 5 at the age of 88.

In a forty-year career he operated equally successfully within the studio system and as an independent. His films typified the commercial Hollywood product at its best: strong stories directly told and aiming to entertain. He maintained that there was no magic formula for success in filmmaking, but time and again he proved his shrewdness in gauging popular taste.

He had his retort to accusations of playing safe. After everyone else had turned it down, he bought William Inge's play, *Come Back, Little Sheba*, cast Shirley Booth, an actress new to films, in the lead role, and saw her win the Oscar for the year's best acting performance.

Harold Brent Wallis was born in Chicago on September 14, 1898. He left school at 14 and, to support his mother and two sisters, worked as an office boy with a real estate firm. Later he was a salesman. Because of the mother's health the family moved to southern California in 1921, and he got his first job in films as the manager of a Los Angeles movie theatre.

He was noticed by Sam Warner and brought into the studio where he soon became head of publicity. It was Wallis who coined the phrase "the Lubitsch touch" to sell the work of the emigré German director, Ernst Lubitsch.

He became production executive and his credits began auspiciously in 1930 with Howard Hawks's *The Dawn Patrol* and Mervyn Leroy's gangster film, *Little Caesar*.

After branching out on his own for a time, he succeeded Darryl F. Zanuck as head of production at Warner's in 1933, and supervised such pictures as Reinhardt's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, *The Adventures of Robin Hood*, *The Roaring Twenties*, *The Maltese Falcon*, *Yankee Doodle Dandy* and *Casablanca*.

One production of the period, the 1942 *King's Row*, starred the actor Ronald Reagan.

In 1944 he formed Hall Wallis Productions. Though attached to Paramount for distribution he had total freedom to choose and set up his projects. Initially his credits were less impressive than before, though they included the splendid Barbara Stanwyck melodramas, *The Strange Love of Martha Ivers* and *Sorry, Wrong Number*.

Having earlier helped to launch the film careers of stars like Olivia de Havilland and Errol Flynn, Wallis continued the tradition in 1950 with Charlton Heston in *Dark City*. He was also instrumental in getting Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis established as a film comedy team.

In the 1950s his chief protégé was Elvis Presley (nine films beginning with *Loving You*), while his other pictures at this time included *The Rainmaker*, with Katharine Hepburn, and the John Sturges Westerns, *Gunfight at the OK Corral* and *Last Train from Gun Hill*.

In 1964 Wallis came to Britain to make *Becket*, a huge box-office success which starred Richard Burton and Peter O'Toole. After this, he brought the stage hits *Boeing Boeing* and *Barefoot in the Park* to the screen and struck up a fruitful partnership with the veteran director Henry Hathaway on two popular Westerns starring John Wayne, *The Sons of Katie Elder* and *True Grit*. The latter won Wayne his only Oscar.

Wallis returned to Britain in 1969 for another costume picture, *Anne of the Thousand Days*, which proved successful despite indifferent reviews. "This is one of the crosses I have to bear", Wallis reflected. "They just don't like the idea of Americans doing films about British history".

In 1971 he added to his historical forays *Mary, Queen of Scots*, casting Vanessa Redgrave in the title role and Glenda Jackson as Queen Elizabeth.

He met his first wife, Louise Fazenda, the popular film comedienne of the silent screen, when he was acting as press agent for her co-star, Rin-Tin-Tin. She died in 1962. Five years later he married the actress Martha Hyer, who survives him together with one son of the first marriage.

DR J. H. WILKINSON

Dr James Hardy Wilkinson, FRS, who made an outstanding contribution to computing through his work on numerical analysis, died on October 5. He was 67.

Born on September 27, 1919, he was educated at Sir Joseph Williamson's Mathematical School, Rochester, and Trinity College, Cambridge, where, at the age of 16, he won a major scholarship in mathematics. He went on to gain first class honours in Part II of the Maths Tripos and a distinction in Part III.

He entered the Ministry of Supply in 1940, in an outstation of the armament research department at the Mathematical Laboratory, Cambridge. He transferred in 1943 to Fort Halstead where he was involved in solving day-to-day problems in ballistics and the thermodynamics of explosives by classical mathematical techniques and by numerical methods.

After the war he joined the National Physical Laboratory (NPL) to embark on the work which subsequently led to world-wide recognition and acclaim.

He played a key part in developing the ACE computer, one of the first to be built. He then concentrated on the application of computers for solving scientific problems, developing the numerical methods needed for the task. In this research, Wilkinson departed from existing approaches and devised a new type of analysis based on a different philosophy.

This Wilkinson called "backwards error analysis". In trying to find a numerical solution to a mathematical problem, he found himself solving not the original problem but another close to it. From this he then worked backwards to solving the initial problem.

He published *Rounding Errors in Algebraic Processes* and *The Algebraic Eigenvalue Problem*, both standard works. He also developed mathematical software in high-level languages, the most common of which is Fortran (formula translation).

Following his retirement from NPL he was appointed professor in the computer science department at Stanford University, California.

Wilkinson, despite the many honours bestowed upon him, never lost contact with those around him, nor adopted an ostentatious life-style. The bicycle remained his preferred form of transport, and at many international gatherings his numerous foreign admirers were surprised to see him arrive on two wheels. His zest for fine wines, good food and convivial company was shown in the numerous parties that he and his wife gave for friends and colleagues.

He married, in 1945, Heather Ware, who was a continuous support to him. She and their son survive him, a daughter having predeceased him.

SIR JOHN WESTALL

General Sir John Westall, KCB, CBE, who died in New Zealand on September 30, aged 85, was an officer whose distinguished service was primarily in the Royal Marines, but who also spent a considerable number of years in intelligence appointments.

John Chaddesley Westall was born on July 2, 1901. Though a New Zealander, he was educated at Dulwich. He joined the Royal Marines in October 1919, and by 1930 had reached the rank of captain.

He served in HMS *Diomede* in New Zealand from 1930 to 1933, and in HMS *St Vincent* from 1934 to 1936. He qualified at the Royal Naval Staff College in 1938 and was appointed staff officer, intelligence, at Singapore in 1931, where he remained until the eve of the Japanese occupation.

Thereafter he held intelligence appointments in Malaya, India and Burma until returning to the naval intelligence division at the Admiralty in 1944.

After the Second World War, between 1945 and 1951, he commanded the Infantry Training Centre, Royal Marines, was staff officer, intelligence, Cape Town, chief staff officer to major-general Royal Marines, Plymouth, and CO of the Royal Marine Barracks at Plymouth and Deal.

He was appointed chief of staff to the Commandant-General Royal Marines in 1951 and the following year succeeded to the post himself. He retired in 1955.

He had many friends in business and on retirement joined the board of United Dominions Trust.

He was a keen fisherman and a good shot and was able to indulge in these pastimes to the full during his retirement, until illness overtook him. He was a very equable man who was never known to lose his temper.

He was twice married, first, in 1930, to Maud Bushe who died in 1971 and, second, in 1977, to Margaret Boyle, who survives him. There were two sons and one daughter of the first marriage.

MR DAVID MURE

Mr David Mure, a small but effective cog in the wartime machine of anti-Nazi deception, died recently at his home in Chelsea. He was 73.

David William Alexander Mure was born in Eglinton Castle, Ayrshire, on October 25, 1912. His father, Colonel William Mure, who died that year, was a grandson of the first Lord Leconfield and head of his sept, the Mures of Caldwell.

He left Wellington early in the Great Depression, among whose many casualties were the fixed incomes of small landed families such as his own. A venture into filmmaking did not improve his fortunes.

When the war began, he enlisted in the Royal Norfolk Regiment and found himself guarding London's dockland. He was soon picked out for officer training, and commissioned into the 60th Rifles. With them he served in the Western Desert until he was shifted from the ardours of the front line to staff work in the Levant.

He joined the tiny, efficient team known as A Force, whose ostensible task was to train soldiers in methods of escape. Their actual work, far more secret and more intricate, was to play back to the German Abwehr in Athens and Istanbul the radio sets of captured spies, without letting the Germans know that the spies had been captured.

It was thus possible substantially to deceive the German high command, and to divert many divisions from the Russian front to guard the Balkans against invasions that never took place.

After the war Mure kept silent, as ordered, for years. When at last he could put some of this into print, he wrote three books: *Practise to Deceive* (in paperback as *Phantom Army*), his own war story; *Master of Deception*, a life of his boss, the enigmatic Brigadier Dudley Clarke; and *The Last Temptation*, a mock autobiography of Guy Liddell, long a senior figure in MI5.

This book, which maddened many readers by naming those in it after characters in Lewis Carroll, gave fascinating insights into the workings of the security service and the English class system.

Behind a rather bumbling exterior Mure concealed a sharp eye and a warm heart. He tried his hand at various business ventures, ending as head of a small textile firm.

He was twice married and leaves a son by each marriage.

MR ASHLEY COURTENAY

Mr Ashley Courtenay, who wrote *Let's Halt Awhile*, a hotel guide which became an English classic, died at sea on October 7. He was 98.

The first edition of this unassuming-looking volume had as its subtitle: "Being some recommendations from personal experience as to where to eat and sleep in Kent and Sussex, with digressions into Surrey" when it first appeared in 1934.

But it soon came to be regarded as so accurate a mirror of English middle-class life that it even found its way into a *Punch* cartoon in 1956.

The guide eventually had editions in three languages and achieved its 50th birthday in 1984.

Some changes in format were perceptible in the face of commercial pressure. But the guide retained much of the charm of Courtenay's original prose, redolent of an era when Dorset lanes were still almost innocent of motor cars.

He himself continued working well into his nineties, and was on a wine cruise in the Mediterranean when he died.

His wife, Nancy, was found dead in her cabin on the same day.

KATHARINE LADY CHORLEY

Katharine Lady Chorley, who died on October 2 at the age of 88, was the only daughter of Edward Hopkinson, MP and electrical engineer.

After serving as a VAD in the First World War she became her father's secretary, later working for the Liberals in politics.

She inherited a love of hills and climbing from her father's family, particularly the English Lake District where she met her future husband, Theo (later Lord) Chorley. She became president of the Ladies' Alpine Club, vice-president of the Fell & Rock Climbing Club, and editor of its journal.

This interest led her to write her first book, *Hills & Highways*, which was followed by *Armies & the Art of Revolution*, written largely before, but published during, the war, and still required reading.

This was followed, in 1950, by *Manchester Made Them*, a perceptive picture of the society in which she grew up; and a biography of Arthur Hugh Clough, published well before that poet's importance was generally recognized.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS AND IN MEMORIAM

Ye that love the Lord, hate evil: he preserveth the souls of his saints; he delivereth them out of the hand of the wicked.

Psalm 97: 10

BIRTHS

ALLEN On September 26th, in Bermuda, Gerry (née Carolan) and David, a son, Charles Edward.

BARROW On 28th September 1986, to Mary (née Roscoe) and Sean, a daughter, Katherine Eleanor, a sister for Richard. With thanks to all at Stepping Hill Hospital.

COLBURN - On September 30th, in Washington D.C., to Michèle (née Burhman) and Jim, a daughter, Christine Elizabeth.

COWEN On 6th October, at St Thomas' Hospital, to Louise (née Hanbury-Brown) and John, a son, a brother for Charles.

GLOVER - On October 7th, at Westminster Hospital, to Juliet (née Burgess) and Alex, a daughter Charlotte Tessa.

HEWITT On October 5th 1986, to Philippa (née Baker) and Robert, a son, George Kenneth.

HODGSON On 10th September to Lynne and Martin, a daughter Charlotte Emma.

JACKSON - On 2nd October at St. Peter's Hospital, Chertsey, to Angela (née Greenway) and Francis, a daughter, Charlotte Annabel.

MADGIN - On October 6th, to Catharine (née Peake) and Mike, a daughter, Melanie Sarah.

MANN On 1st October to Sarah (née Kippax) and Thomas, a son, Alexander Edward.

McILROY On October 5th, to Sally (Née Williams) and Jeremy a son, Simon James.

MENDHAM On October 6th, at St Peter's, Chertsey, to Caroline (née Towndrow) and Nicholas, a daughter, Clare Elizabeth Mary.

NEUFELD On September 26th, to Leah (nee Shellim) and David, a son, (Nicholas Alexander).

NICHOLS On October 2nd, at Pembury Hospital, Kent, to Susan (née Lee) and Timothy a son, Andrew Timothy.

O'BRIEN On September 27th, to D and Crispin, a son, Maximilian Oliver Bertie.

PEDDER On 2nd October, to Rosemarie (nee Ghazarosi and William, a daughter, Rosalind Katherine.

RAEBURN On September 28th, at Queen Mary's, Roehampton, to Julia (née Stephenson) and Stuart, a son, Andrew David, a brother for Helena.

REID On October 2nd 1986, to Jill and Stephen, a son, Ingram John Wynn, a brother for Euan.

SMALLEY See O'Brien

STEEL On September 27th, to Rupert and Jasmine, a son.

SUMMERSON On 4th October, at Rugby, to Kate (née Rasing) and Michael, a sister for Nicholas and Kim.

TURNER On October 4th, to Jacqueline (nee Earnshaw) and John, a son, Michael John, a brother for Daniel.

VAUGHAN - On 21st September 1986, to Virginia Louise and Peter William, a daughter, Amelia Claire, at John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford. A sister for Harriet and Olivia.

WILLIAMS On September 30th, to Catherine (née White) and Simon, a son Robert Thomas.

MARRIAGES

MILNE : ELKAN - On 4th October in Durham, Professor Alan Milne to Susan Elkan.

SMITH : WADDINGTON The marriage took place on October 2nd at St John's Church, Colwyn Bay, between Norman Smith of Leominster and Mary Waddington of Colwyn Bay.

DEATHS

ADAMS - On October 5th 1986, peacefully in hospital, Patricia, (née Devine) beloved wife of the late Robert Adams, and dear mother of Mary. Funeral Service at St Francis of Assisi Church, Halstead, on Friday 10th October at 11am. Family flowers only, donations if desired to Imperial Cancer Research Fund.

ALLEN On October 6th, Miss Emmeline Clarissa Johnson Allen, peacefully, in Malmesbury Hospital, with the love and prayers of all her friends, may she rest in peace. Funeral Service at Malmesbury Abbey on Monday October 13th at 2.00 pm, followed by cremation at Swindon. Enquiries to H & C Matthews, Funeral Directors, Malmesbury. Tel 2216.

BIGLAND On October 7th, peacefully at Saint John's Hospice, Lancaster. Miza Pauline loved wife of the late John Bigland of Bigland Hall Ulverston and mother of Sarah-Anne, Richard and Anthony. Funeral at Saint Anne's Church, Haverthwaite at 1.30 on 10th October followed by private cremation. Family flowers only but donations to the Hospice.

COOK Suddenly, at his home, after a long illness, William Cook, Lt Colonel RE (retd). Dear husband of Doreen and loving father of Heather and Moira. Family flowers only, if desired donations to Cancer Research, c/o Charles Read & Daughter, 5 Normandy Street, Alton, Hants (Tel 0420 83551)

COURTENAY On 6th October 1986, Mr Ashley, 98 years and Mrs Nancy, 73 years, whilst on a cruising holiday in the Mediterranean.

de SOUZA - On October 4th 1986, peacefully and suddenly at home, Yerke (Musician) aged 73 years, beloved husband of Vi, father of Barry and Yvonne, grandfather of Danielle and Colette.

EDWARDS On October 6th 1986, peacefully, after breakfast, Harold W Bookseller. Funeral private. Sally and Nick Gray, grandchildren Dylan, Barnaby and Daisy will all miss him.

FARNHAM - On 30th September 1986, suddenly Robin Peter, aged 35 years. Funeral Service at Scarning Church, Dereham, Norfolk, on Monday 13th October at 2.00pm. Enquiries to R H Favers and Son, Funeral Directors, 42/43 Railway Road, King's Lynn, Norfolk. Telephone 772134 or 772316.

GALSWORTHY - On Tuesday October 7th at Southmead hospital Bristol, after a short illness, Sir Arthur Norman K.C.M.G., aged 70. Dearly loved Husband of Jean. Father of Anthony and Robert and Grand Pa of Andrew, Carolyn, Victoria and Maggie. Private cremation on 9th October. Memorial Service, at St. Christophers', Lympsham, at 12 noon, on 8th November. No flowers please, but donations to Royal British Legion, C/o Douglas Hannah, Rectory Farm, Lympsham, Somerset.

GREEN (née Meiresonne) on October the 6th, peacefully, Louise Clementine aged 66 years at Wray Common Nursing Home, Reigate, widow of Alban and loving mother and grandmother. Funeral 12 noon October 10th at St Marys RC Church, Crown lane, Chislehurst.

INGRAM On October 4th, 1986, peacefully at Manor Hall Nursing Home, Eastbourne, Ursula, aged 96 years. Widow of Robert Morgan Ingram, beloved mother of Jean, Eira and the late Pamela. Dearest grandmother of Vanessa, Michael, Nicola, Simon and Timothy. Funeral Service at Ocklynge Cemetery, Eastbourne on Monday October 13th at 12 noon.

MacARTHUR On September 17th 1986, Jeanne Yvonne. The Funeral to be held at Tenterden cemetery, Tenterden Kent, on Monday October 13th 1986 at 1.30pm.

MARSH On 4th October 1986, peacefully, Margaret Ethel Marsh, widow of the late Herbert Kilbride Marsh, beloved mother, sister, grandmother and aunt. Cremation Service at Golders Green, tomorrow Friday 10th October at 11 am (West Chapel). No flowers please but donations may be sent to The International Fund For Animal Welfare, New Road, Crowborough, East Sussex TN6 2QH.

MIKES On October 1st, Lea (nee Hanak) at her house at Queen's Park.

MINASSIAN On 6th October 1986, peacefully, after illness fought with great courage, Elise, devoted mother of Vivien and John and late wife of Antoine. Funeral Service will take place at St. Sarkis Church, Iverna Gardens, Kensington, on Friday 10th October at 10.30 a.m. Family flowers only and donations to Cancer Research will be greatly appreciated. Interment at Putney Vale Cemetery at 12 noon.

PAGE On 5th October, formerly of Fulham, Flimwell, and Bexhill-on-Sea, Nellie Mabel, widow of Francis, dear sister, aunt, and great aunt.

PORTER On Saturday October 4th, Ernest James, at his home in Hythe, Kent. Funeral Friday 10th October 2 p.m. at Hawkinge Crematorium. Flowers to Hanbrook & Johns, 1 Dymchurch Road, Hythe, by 11 a.m Friday 10th.

RICHARDS On October 3rd, peacefully A C (Riccy) aged 64. Dearly loved husband of Pat and father of Stephen, Roy and Neil. Funeral Service 1.45 pm on Friday 10th October at St Giles Church, Stoke Poges, Bucks. Followed by private cremation. No flowers please. Donations in lieu to the Sue Ryder Home, Nettlebed, Henley on Thames.

RUTHERFORD On 7th October peacefully, in his sleep, at Hill Cottage, Ridgway Road, Farnham, Surrey, Captain W.F.H.C. Rutherford C.B.E., D.S.O., R.N.(Retired) beloved husband of Ann, loving father of Nicholette and Michael, and Poppa to Kate, Lucy, Tom and James. Service at 11.45 a.m. Monday 13th October at St. Thomas-on-the-Bourne, Farnham, Surrey followed by cremation at 12.30 at Aldershot Crematorium.

SCHEUNERT On 4th October 1986, Ruth Irwin (née Crossley) peacefully in Capetown. A private funeral has been arranged in Capetown.

SHIRREFFS - On Sunday 5th October 1986, Percy Charles Brand Shirreffs, dear husband of Doreen. Funeral Service at St. Peter's Church, Lodsworth, West Sussex, on Friday 10th October at 2.30 p.m. followed by private cremation. No flowers by his request.

WARDLE On October 5th Harold Argyle aged 78 years, peacefully at home. Loving husband of Betty and a much loved father of John, William and Margaret, father-in-law of Linda, Margot and Nicholas and beloved grandfather of Anna. Donations if desired to Dr Barnardos.

WHITE On 5th October 1986 suddenly, at his home at Boxhill, Bob, father of Nicholas, Deborah and Rory.

WILLIAMS On October 7th, in Johannesburg, John Noel, Priest of the Community of the Resurrection, in the 62nd year of his age and the 28th year of his Profession. R.I.P. Solemn Requiem at Mirfield on October 13th at 12.15pm. Requiem and Funeral in Johannesburg on October 18th.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

JELLICOE. A Thanksgiving for the life of Lady (Susan) Jellicoe, Hon D. Litt, Hon FLI, will be held at the Royal Society of Arts, John Adam Street, Adelphia, London, at Midday on Wednesday, October 29th.

SUTHERLAND A Memorial Service for Sir Iain Sutherland will be held on Thursday, 9th October at 12 noon at The Crown Court Church of Scotland, Russell Street, Covent Garden, London WC2.

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Science report

Mapping the molten centre of the Earth

By Keith Hindley

Seismologists have uncovered evidence of structural detail in the previously poorly defined region of the Earth's metallic core. It has come from studing the way in which the velocity of shock waves from major earthquakes changes as the vibrations echo through the globe.

Computer analysis of 20 years of seismic records by two separate groups has produced images of slices through the Earth showing far more detail than anyone has seen before. They are similar to the CAT-scan tomography slices taken routinely to show the internal detail of a patient's body for medical diagnosis.

Dr Kenneth C. Creager and Professor Thomas H. Jordan, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, believe they have found regions of different composition and temperature close to the boundary between the outer molten core and the overlying rocky mantle. They call the structures "continents" since they appear to float on the metallic sea of the molten core in just the way that the surface continents float on the molten mantle.

These formations must be far less rigid than continental plates such as Africa or Asia but their size and shape appears to be controlled by the flow of materials at the core-mantle boundary. There is no obvious relationship between the two forms of continent but the two could be linked by heat flow from deep within the earth.

Dr Andrea Morelli and Dr Adam M. Dziewonski, of Harvard University, have reached similar conclusions, but they argue that their results are best represented by anomalies inside the metallic core itself. They think the structures may be circulating currents set up within the liquid core as it cools and adds to a growing solid below.

These preliminary results were announced recently at a meeting of the American Geophysical Union but they provide a first tantalising glimpse of a region which powers much of the world's geological processes.

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MOSHE GORALI Plaintiff
and
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On the application of Moshe Gorali, the Plaintiff in the Application, the Court Ordered that a Master of the Supreme Court of Victoria enquire who were the Next of Kin of the Deceased living at the date of his death.

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and the Minute approved by the Court showing with respect to the capital and Share Premium Account of the Company as altered the several particulars required by the above mentioned Act were registered by the Registrar of Companies on 1st August 1986.
DATED this Sixth day of October, 1986

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE NO 006073 OF 1986
CHANCERY DIVISION
MR JUSTICE HARMAN
The 17th day of September 1986
IN THE MATTER of SAATCHI & SAATCHI COMPANY PLC
and
IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Order of the High Court of Justice (Chancery Division) dated 17th September 1986 confirming the reduction of the Share Premium Account of the above named company by the sum of £387,170,633.14 was registered by the Registrar of Companies on 24th September 1986.
Dated this 7th day of October 1986
Macfarlanes
10 Norwich Street
London EC4A 1BD
Solicitors for the above named Company

ALBERTS ART COMPANY LIMITED
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the creditors of the above-named company, which is being wound-up voluntarily, are required on or before the 30 day of November 1986 to send their names, addresses and particulars of their claims to the undersigned Alan David Kenningham of Latham, Crossley & Davis, Stanhope House, 110 Drury Lane, London WC2B 5ST the Liquidator of the company, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.
Dated this 30 day of September 1986
A.D KENNINGHAM
LIQUIDATOR

ARKAN PRODUCTIONS INTERNATIONAL LIMITED
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 588 of the Companies Act, 1985, that a MEETING of the creditors of ARKAN PRODUCTIONS INTERNATIONAL LIMITED will be held at the offices of LEONARD CURTIS & CO. 30 EASTBOURNE TERRACE, LONDON W2 6LF on Thursday the 23rd day of October 1986 at twelve o'clock noon, for the purposes provided for in Sections 589 and 590.
Dated the 30th day of September 1986
IAN J ABRAHAMS
DIRECTOR

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 588 of the Companies Act 1985, that a MEETING of the creditors of the above named Company will be held at MORTIMER HOUSE, 37/41 MORTIMER STREET, LONDON W1N 7RJ on Thursday, the 9th day of October 1986, at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purposes mentioned for in Sections 589 and 590.
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By Order of the Board
M YEGENOGLU
SECRETARY

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 588 of the Companies Act, 1985, that a MEETING of the creditors of the above named Company will be held at the offices of LEONARD CURTIS & CO., situated at 30 EASTBOURNE TERRACE (2ND FLOOR) LONDON W2 6LF on Thursday the 23rd day of October 1986 at 12.00 o'clock midday for the purposes provided for in Sections 589 and 590.
Dated the 1st day of October 1986
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DIRECTOR

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M T SPAIN
DIRECTOR

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Dated the 26th day of September 1986
M C WAINSTAIN
DIRECTOR

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Reagan demands summit support

From Mohsin Ali
Washington

President Reagan, on the eve of his departure for the Reykjavik talks with Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, the Soviet leader, yesterday urged national unity and bipartisan support for his mission.

He told a Republican campaign rally in Raleigh, North Carolina, that it was at times like these, when diplomacy was being conducted at the highest level, he was particularly grateful for the way "we as a free people pull together".

Administration officials have said it was possible that a full summit could be held in Washington this year.

Asked in a television interview yesterday whether the US wanted to see something tangible on human rights before it could ever sign an arms accord, Mr George Shultz, the Secretary of State, said: "No, we didn't say that. If we can find something that is in our interests in these major arms reduction proposals, we should go ahead with that."

● MOSCOW: The Soviet Union appears to have reduced its expectations for the talks (A Correspondent writes).

In complete contrast to earlier optimistic articles, the Communist Party daily newspaper, *Pravda*, in a commentary by its editor-in-chief, Viktor Afanasyev, noted yesterday that despite various Soviet-US meetings in recent months there had been no progress on arms control.

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US scientist 'defects'

Moscow (Reuter) — A US scientist has arrived in Moscow after defecting from the United States and has been granted political asylum, Tass said yesterday.

"I am happy that this nightmare is once and for all behind me," it quoted Mr Arnold Lokshin as saying. It said he had worked until last month as a cancer research director in Houston.

Clergy get a taste of Army life

Mr Peter Vickers tries a tank with Lance-Corporals Andrew Proctor (left) and David Powell. (Photograph: Peter Trievnor)

Younger hits out at Labour over defence

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sure that Britain remained a free country and a reliable ally.

He was cheered when he renewed the Government's commitment to the Trident missile programme and when he delivered the following message for consumption in the United States: "We the Conservative party are the government of Britain not those who have had the headlines so far this autumn, and we in this Government are not and never will be soft on defence.

" We are and will remain sound and reliable allies. We will not abandon our friends."

Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for the Environment, announced plans for four more Urban Development Corporations to take powers over planning, land assembly and development to create thousands of new jobs in Greater Manchester, on Teeside, in the Black Country and in Tyne and Wear.

Mr Fowler went out of his way to soothe the fears of Conservative supporters and the public over the Government's handling of the National Health Service as he outlined his detailed package of measures for improving treatment and facilities. What he did not tell conference is that they will have to be financed out of existing funds.

The continuing concern about the NHS was reflected in a number of speeches

The Rev Peter Vickers, from Worcester is one of 24 clergymen who have been experiencing the rigorous training of army life with one of the country's top infantry units this week (Angella Johnson writes)

Codenamed operation "Vicar Elastic", the course is being held with the First Battalion, The Parachute Regiment, at Bulford, Wiltshire.

The vicars, aged from 25 to 40, have been taken through new recruits' training, including learning to drive a tank, a night survival exercise on Salisbury Plain, a flight in an aircraft and tackling an assault course.

They have also been shown how army padres would operate in time of war, during a mock exercise

The course was designed to give civilian clerymen the opportunity to experience some of the stresses of a military environment.

Mr Vickers dons Army kit, but keeps his dog collar.

Wapping offer rejected by Sogat

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This vote reinforces the view that there is little hardship. However, the company will be setting up a procedure to consider any cases on an individual basis.

"Our offer, which was amended at the request of the union leaders to accommodate their refusal to accept a complete newspaper building and plant, will not be repeated.

"This strike began in spite of our pleas and warnings. It has not damaged our publications or business in any way, we feel no legal obligation to have any further dealings.

"We have about 2,500 skilled and enthusistic people at Wapping workong in co-operation in all stages of the production of four of the most successful newspapers in the world. They enjoy first class pay and conditions.

"*The Times* circulation is at a record level, as is its advertising. *The Sunday Times* will be 104 pages this week. *The Sun* is ahead of its rivals by 900,000 copies every day. *The News of the World* by 2,000,000."

● Mr Kenneth Clarke, the Paymaster General and the senior employment Minister in the Commons, last night described the Sogat vote as a "great blow" (Richard Evans writes).

He said: "It is difficult to see where the dispute goes now. I continue to be concerned about the way in which the highly desirable ballot exercise is carried out by the print union."

Mr Clarke made an appeal to the striking print workers not to indulge in violence on the picket line. "If people really feel the dispute has to continue I certainly hope it is continued without violence and intimidation.

"I heard a few days ago of appalling attacks on people connected with TNT, who deliver News International papers."

The Prime Minister, was informed of the vote shortly after it was announced.

Frank Johnson with the Tories

Walker leads wet Hezbollah attack

Mr Peter Walker, the Secretary for Energy and the Cabinet's longest-surviving wet, yesterday in effect attacked Government economic policy at a lunchtime fringe meeting organized by a hitherto unknown organization calling itself CARE — Conservative Action to Revive Employment.

The organization sounded similar to one of those hitherto unheard of groups which frequently claim responsibility for specific atrocities in the Middle East. Sometimes they have blood-curdling titles of which CARE is typical. At other times they are named after individual fighters in the cause.

Western intelligence sources in Bournemouth last night suggested that CARE might be an offshoot, or rival, of the fanatical Tory Reform Group, which was the successor to the extreme wet PEST of the 1970s (Pressure for Economic and Social Toryism).

The Tory Reform Group and PEST were formed by the so-called "frontline" wets after the original wet liberation organization, the Bow Group, made a separate treaty with the Tory right in the 1970s and became a pillar of the precarious stalemate in the area. But all these groups must be seen in the context of the turbulent politics of the Home Counties as a whole.

All are components of the Hezbollah, or Party of God (the Conservatives). But the groups tend to hate one another almost as match as they hate the Thatcherite occupying power, and its American backers.

Experts were agreed that, at this stage, it would be impossible to say who Mr Walker was working for when he carried out yesterday's attack. It was even possible that he was working for powerful forces inside the Government.

At the CARE meeting, Mr Walker told the delerious mob of students that it was an "economic absurdity" for the Government to have to spend so much on unemployment benefit. This is a well-known wet code for using the money to create more inflation. Yesterday's attack was the first major wet action since the suicide missions carried out by Mr James Prior and Mr Francis Pym, both of whom denounced the Government at the same time as saying that they would be retiring.

Government sources feared that it was the start of an autumn wet campaign. The most feared of the wets, the legendary Mr Michael Heseltine (code name Tarzan) was expected to address a fringe meeting, organized by the Tory Reform Group, in Bournemouth today. It was assumed that there would be similar meetings later by organizations calling themselves such names as the "Iain MacLeod Commando," or the "Action Group Benjamin Disreali."

Otherwise, yesterday's proceedings at the conference went as well for the Government as they had on Monday.

Mr Walker, before he made his move at that fringe meeting, made a skilful speech summing up a debate on energy. He defended nuclear power while showing some understanding of the case against it. The Thatcherites did not mind which case he was for, so long as it seemed to be the Government's, which on the whole it was. That only emphasized the devilish cunning of his lunchtime deed.

Some, however, have so far spent the week wondering about the identity of someone referred by the conference chairman, Mr Lawrence, when on Monday he urged us all to co-operate with the courteous, but thorough police in their huge security duties. Someone, he said, had "pulled rank' in an effort to avoid a security check. The wets suspected it was the Prime Minister. Others assumed it was Mr Heseltine.

"Look here, officer, I used to be Secretary of State for Defence. This intimate body search is intolerable."

Policeman: "Oh, yeah. And I'm the Home Secretary. You're under arrest."

It was one of several minor security incidents so far this week. A man is expected to appear at a fringe meeting today.

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Royal engagements

The Queen attends a reception at St James's Palace given by the 16th/5th The Queen's Royal Lancers, 3.30.

The Princess of Wales visits the Hospice Unit at the Hospital of St John and St Elizabeth, 60 Grove End Road, London, NW8, 10.15.

Princess Anne opens the new hall at Abbot's Hill School, Hemel Hempstead, Herts, 10.30; and then, as President, the British Knitting and Clothing Export Council, vists Reldan, High Wycombe, 12 noon; later, as President, the Riding for the Disabled Association, visits the South Buckinghamshire Group at Mill House Farm, Fulmer, 2.30.

Princess Margaret, as President, the Invalid Children's Aid Association, visits Dawn House School, Rainworth, Nottingham, and lays the foundation stone of the secondary school extension, 2.45; and later attends a performance by the Central Ballet of China, Sadler's Wells Theatre, 7.30.

The Duke of Gloucester, patron, Bulldog Manpower Services, opens the Ilderton Motor Project, 80 Edward Street, London, 5.45.

The Duke of Kent visits the BBC at Caversham, Reading, 11.15; and later, as Vice Chairman, the British Overseas Trade Board, opens a factory for MCP Electronic Materials, Wembley, 2.45.

New exhibition

English watercolours and drawings: The S.C. Turner Bequest; Guernsey Museum and Art Gallery, Candie Gardens, St Peter Port, Guernsey; Mon to Sun 10.30 to 5.30 (ends Nov 2).

Exhibitions in progress

Hans Christian Andersen: papercuttings and illustrations; MacRobert Arts Centre, University of Stirling; Mon to Sat 11 to 5, Sun 2 to 5 (ends Oct 29).

Coalport Made its Mark; Alfred Darby Gallery, Coalport China Museum, Telford; Mon to Sun 10 to 6 (ends Jan 4).

Music

Concert by the Hallé Orchestra; Free Trade Hall, Manchester, 7.30.

Canterbury Festival: Piano recital by Jean Philippe Collard; Shirley Hall, Canterbury, 8.

Recital by Margaret Borthwick (flute), Colin Kellett (oboe), Ronald Woodley (clarinet), Graham Evans (clarinet and basset horn) and Alan Fearon (piano); King's Hall, Newcastle University, 1.10.

Recital by Clare McFarlane (violin) and Amanda Hurton (piano); The Royal Exchange, Manchester, 1.

Concert by the London Harpsichord Ensemble; St George's, Brandon Hill, Bristol, 1.

Concert by the Bristol Bach Choir, Bournemouth Symphony Chorus and Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra; Colston Hall, Bristol, 7.30.

Recital by Gary Karr (double bass) and Harmon Lewis (piano); Leicestershire Museum and Art Gallery, New Walk, Leicester, 12.45.

Recital by the Sheba Sound ensemble; South Bromsgrove High School, 7.30.

Concert by the City of London Sinfonia and Barry Tuckwell (horn); Sheldonian Theatre, Oxford, 8.

Concert by the David Munrow Anniversary Ensemble; The Music Hall, Shrewsbury, 7.45.

Talks

Enzymes: Are they our teachers or laboratory aiders?, by Prof. Janos Retey; Curits Auditorium, School of Physics, Newcastle University, 5.30.

Land and People: 19th century social history in the Cotswolds, by Dr Celia Miller and David Viner; Cotswold Countryside Collection, Northleach, 7.30.

General

Festival of Fun: David Bailey entertains on the grand piano; Biggin St, Dover, 11; Music, street fair, and fun throughout the day; Market Square, Dover.

New books — paperback

The Literary Editor's selection of interesting books published this week:

FICTION

Faggots, by Larry Kramer (Methuen, £3.95)
Having A Ball, by Alan Bleasdale (Faber, £4.95)
Hawksmoor, by Peter Ackroyd (Abacus, £3.95)
Holding On, by Mervyn Jones (Eland, £4.95)
Men Have All The Fun, by Gwynneth Branfoot (Methuen, £3.95)

NON-FICTION

Alexandria, A History and a Guide, by E.M. Forster, introduction by Lawrence Durrell (Michael Haag, £7.95)
Freedom and Morality, by A.J. Ayer (Oxford, £7.95)
Milton: Poet of Exile, by Louis L. Martz (Yale, £10.95)
The Devil Drives, A Life of Sir Richard Burton, by Fawn M. Brodie (Eland, £6.95)
Wittgenstein, by W.W. Bartley III (Cresset, £5.95) PH

Roads

The Midlands: M1: Contraflow between junctions 22 (A50 Leicester) and 23 (A521 Loughborough). M5: Major roadworks SW of Birmingham between junctions 4 and 5 (Bromsgrove and Droitwich); two lanes each way. M1: Contraflow between junctins 27 and 28 (A608 and A38 intersections).

Wales and West: M4: Contraflow between junction 34 (Rhondda) and A473 exit at junction 35. M4: Contraflow between junctions 16 and 17 (Swindon and Chippenham). M5: Two lanes closed in both directions between junctions 11 and 12 (Cheltenham and the A38).

The North: M6: Lane closures at junction 37 (A684), Cumbria. M63: Major roadworks at Barton Bridge, Greater Manchester; avoid if possible. M18: Contraflow between junctions 6 and 7 (Thorne and M62).

Scotland: A809: Temporary lights on Drymen Rd, Glasgow, at Duah bridge. A803: Single line traffic on Glasgow Rd, Dumbartonshire, at Kirkintilloch between 8 am and 4 pm. A9: Temporary lights over the River Tay at Jubilee Bridge, Tayside.

Information supplied by AA

Best wines

In a blind tasting of 45 1985 wines of Beaujolais-Villages, Chenas and Brouilly, the following were chosen as especially good value for money:

1985 Chenas 1er Prix Concours Villefranche, Georges Duboeuf, Le Nez Rouge (01-609 4711), £4.30;1985 Beaujolais-Villages Domaine de Rajeous, Pommier, Connoisseur Wine Cellar (01-736 9727), £3.99;1985 Brouilly 1er Grand Prix Villefranche, Georges Duboeuf, Anthony Byrne Fine Wines (0487-814555), £5.20;1985 Brouilly Domaine de Garanches, Georges Duboeuf, Le Nez Rouge (01-609 4711), £4.55; 1985 Brouilly, Adrien Guichard, Eaton Elliot Winebrokers (0625-582354), £4.95;1985 Beaujolais-Villages, Joseph Drouhin, Michael Menzel (0742-683557), £4.99.

Source: *Wine*, October 1986.

TSB share prices

Trading of TSB shares opens on the Stock Exchange tomorrow. Citycall, British Telecom's telephone financial information service, will be quoting the share prices throughout the day in the General Market Report on (0898) 121220 from tomorrow.

Weather forecast

Moist SW to W airflow, with a frontal trough moving southeastwards across northwestern Britain.

6 am to midnight

London, SE England, East Anglia, Channel Islands: Mainly dry, sunny intervals; wind southerly light or moderate; max temp 19C (66F).

Central S, E, SW, central N England, Midlands, S Wales: Sunny intervals, becoming cloudy with some rain during the evening; wind southerly light, becoming moderate; max temp 18C (64F).

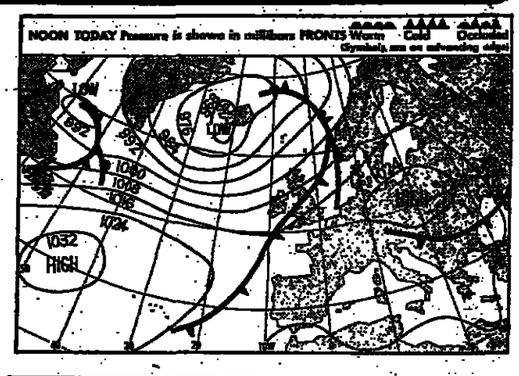
N Wales, NW, NE England, Lake District: Rain during afternoon and early evening; wind southwesterly moderate or fresh; max temp 16C (61F).

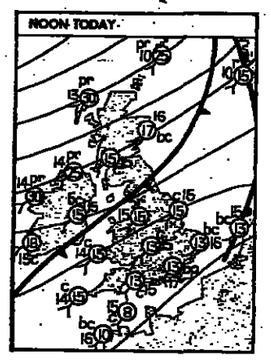
Isle of Man, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Central Highlands, Moray Firth: Rain from late morning, clearing by dusk; wind southwesterly fresh or strong; max temp 15C (59F).

NE, NW Scotland, Argyll, Northern Ireland: Rain at first, sunny intervals and isolated showers developing; wind southwesterly fresh, occasionally strong; max temp 14C (57F).

Orkney, Shetland: Rain at first, sunny intervals and isolated showers developing; wind southwesterly fresh or strong; max temp 12C (54F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Saturday: Changeable and rather windy in the N. Mainly fine in the S, but with overnight mist or fog. Near normal temperatures.





b-blue sky; bc-blue sky and cloud; c-cloudy; o-overcast; f-fog; d-drizzle; h-hail; mist-mist; r-rain; s-snow; th-thunderstorm; sh-showers. Arrows show wind direction, wind speed (mph) circled. Temperature centigrade.

High Tides

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	6.02	6.5	6.22	6.6
Aberdeen	5.38	4.0	6.04	3.8
Avonmouth	11.31	11.4	11.57	10.9
Belfast	3.20	3.4	3.40	3.4
Cardiff	11.16	10.8	11.42	10.2
Devonport	9.54	5.1	10.25	4.8
Dover	3.01	6.2	3.23	6.1
Falmouth	9.24	4.9	9.55	4.6
Glasgow	4.53	4.9	5.14	4.7
Harwich	3.59	3.7	4.21	3.8
Holyhead	2.21	5.3	2.48	5.1
Hull	10.35	6.9	10.59	6.5
Ilfracombe	10.14	8.2	10.39	7.9
Leith	7.02	5.2	7.30	4.9
Liverpool	3.16	8.8	3.42	8.3
Lowestoft	1.34	2.3	1.59	2.4
Margate	4.07	4.4	4.22	4.6
Milford Haven	10.32	6.3	10.59	6.0
Newquay	9.26	6.3	9.54	6.0
Oban	9.49	3.5	10.09	3.2
Penzance	9.01	5.2	9.34	4.8
Portland	11.12	1.8	11.36	1.7
Portsmouth	3.45	4.4	4.08	4.4
Sheerness	2.15	5.9	2.36	5.8
Southampton	2.59	4.3	3.22	4.2
Swansea	10.34	8.7	11.00	8.3
Tees	8.06	5.0	8.27	4.8
Wilton-on-Nze	3.53	4.0	4.15	4.1

Tide measured in metres: 1m=3.280ft.

Around Britain

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
EAST COAST					
Scarboro	4.5	-	19	66	sunny
Bridlington	3.3	-	20	68	bright
Cromer	X				
Lowestoft	5.4	-	21	70	sunny
Clacton	6.2	-	21	70	bright
Margate	X	-	21	70	sunny
SOUTH COAST					
Folkestone	8.5	-	19	66	sunny
Hastings	6.9	-	18	64	sunny
Eastbourne	9.3	-	19	66	sunny
Brighton	9.2	-	21	70	sunny
Worthing	7.8	-	18	64	sunny
Littlehmptn	6.7	-	18	64	sunny
Bognor R.	8.5	-	18	64	sunny
Southsea	8.5	-	20	68	sunny
Sandown	9.1	-	19	66	sunny
Shanklin	X				
Bournemth	8.9	-	21	70	sunny
Poole	7.6	-	21	70	sunny
Swanage	8.1	-	19	66	sunny
Weymouth	7.8	-	18	64	sunny
Exmouth	6.2	-	20	68	bright
Teignmouth	7.0	-	21	70	sunny
Torquay	7.0	-	21	70	sunny
Falmouth	-	-	15	59	fog
Penzance	-	.01	14	57	fog
Jersey	10.1	-	20	68	sunny
Guernsey	9.7	-	22	72	sunny
WEST COAST					
Scilly Isles	-	.02	14	57	cloudy
Newquay	-	-	16	61	cloudy
Ilfracombe	X	-	16	61	dull
Teeby	-	-	15	59	cloudy
Cahelyn Bay	X				
Morecombe	-	.18	15	59	rain
Douglas	6.5	.17	16	63	bright
ENGLAND AND WALES					
London	6.9	-	22	72	sunny
B'hams Airpt	2.4	-	20	68	bright
Bristol (Cnt)	3.9	-	18	64	cloudy
Cardiff (Cnt)	4.3	-	17	63	sunny
Anglesey		.06	14	57	rain
B'pool Airpt	0.2	.02	16	59	rain
Manchester	-	.06	16	61	rain
Nottingham	1.6	-	18	64	bright
N'cstl-o-Tyne	4.8	-	18	64	sunny
Carlisle	5.0	.18	17	63	bright
SCOTLAND					
Edinbrghmair	5.4	.28	16	61	bright
Prestwick	2.4	.17	15	59	rain
Glasgow	1.5	.09	16	61	rain
Tiree	2.8	.24	15	59	rain
Stornoway	1.0	.20	15	59	bright
Lerwick	-	.47	10	50	rain
Wick	1.4	.24	15	59	showers
Kinloss	1.8	.07	17	63	showers
Aberdeen	2.4	.02	17	63	bright
St. Andrews	6.4	-	19	66	sunny
Edinburgh	6.7	.01	17	63	showers
NORTHERN IRELAND					
Belfast	7.9	.16	17	63	sunny

These are Tuesday's figures.

Lighting-up time

London 6.51 pm to 6.46 am
Bristol 7.01 pm to 6.55 am
Edinburgh 6.58 pm to 7.03 am
Manchester 6.57 pm to 6.56 am
Penzance 7.14 pm to 7.06 am

Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

	C	F		C	F
Belfast	c	16	61	Guernsey	fg	13	55
B'mingham	f	17	63	Inverness	f	16	61
Blackpool	c	16	61	Jersey	c	16	61
Bristol	c	16	61	London	f	17	63
Cardiff	c	16	59	M'chester	c	17	63
Edinburgh	c	15	59	Newcastle	f	17	63
Glasgow	d	13	55	R'nldsway	c	13	55

Anniversaries

Births: **Heinrich Schütz**, composer, baptized, Köstritz (Bad Köstritz), Germany, 1585; **Camille Saint-Saens**, Paris, 1835.

Deaths: **Eugenio Pacelli**, Pope Pius XII 1939-58, Castel Gandolfo, Italy, 1958; **Che Guevara**, guerrilla fighter and revolutionary, Bolivia, 1967; **André Maurois**, writer, Paris, 1967.

Parliament today

Lords (2.30): Housing and Planning Bill, committee stage.

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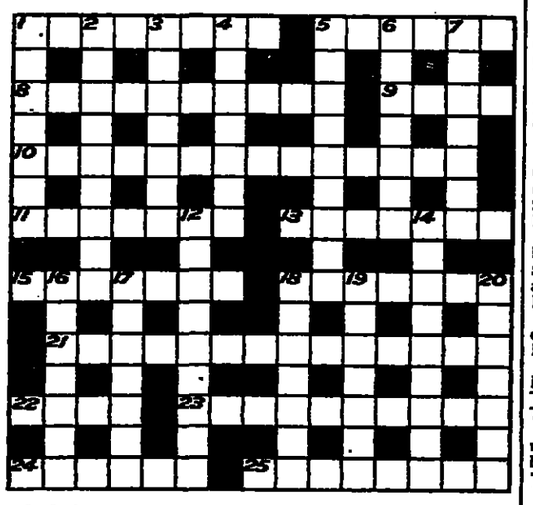


ACROSS

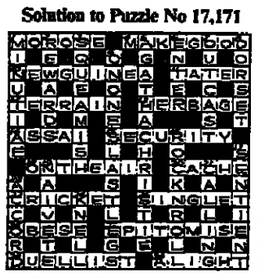
1 New northern theatre put in jeopardy (8).
5 Turn around outside your entrance (6).
8 Old mention in dispatches produces stirring emotion (10).
9 He's contemptible compared with a Democrat (4).
10 Wise man with one son has estates in the Pacific (7,7).
11 Ghost of police officer in this, say? (7).
13 Pardon for girl accepting shelter (7).
15 Unusually quaint Oriental relic (7).
18 In margin insert note for temporary (7).
21 Old person's quarters given free land at Arnhem (11,3).
22 Hat to some extent like Pierrot's (4).
23 What happens to everybody's friend in the end (10).
24 Like the four central characters in 25 — truly (6).
25 Submitted to being put on ice (8).

4 Understanding several points about wine (7).
5 A runner like John Halifax (9).
6 Followers may be inert and extremely unreliable (7).
7 Leader of troops managed to rest in this camp (7).
12 Crisis for supporter of outspoken old antimonarchist (9).
14 One proceeding with difficulty when preparing eggs (9).
16 Grannie eager to get material (7).
17 Paddy's claim to be anti-English? Fancy (7).
18 Very much in verbal form (7).
19 Defame university chancellors originally in commerce (7).
20 Wealthy Scotsman made an observation (7).

DOWN

1 Emphasizes decapitation — removing these, presumably (7).
2 Remember to pass the hat round again (9).
3 Incite to sin? At first it's an effort (7).

Solution to Puzzle No 17,171



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The pound

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.32	2.20
Austria Sch	20.95	19.75
Belgium Fr	62.10	58.50
Canada $	2.03	1.94
Denmark Kr	11.18	10.58
Finland Mkk	7.36	6.86
France Fr	9.66	9.16
Germany Dm	2.87	2.80
Greece Dr	198.00	187.00
Hong Kong $	11.38	10.88
Ireland Pt	1.662	1.582
Italy Lire	2055.00	1935.00
Japan Yen	232.00	218.00
Netherlands Gld	3.35	3.15
Norway Kr	10.93	10.33
Portugal Esc	216.00	204.00
South Africa Rd	3.70	3.10
Spain Pta	194.00	184.00
Sweden Kr	10.15	9.60
Switzerland Fr	2.42	2.28
USA $	1.485	1.415
Yugoslavia Dnr	700.00	600.00

Rates for small denomination bank notes only as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign currency business.

Retail Price Index: 385.9

London: The *FT* index closed down 9.2 at 1248.1

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Check your overall total against The Times Portfolio dividend published on the Stock Exchange Prices page.

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How to claim

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You must have your card with you when you telephone.

If you are unable to telephone someone else can claim on your behalf but they must have your card and call The Times Portfolio claims line between the stipulated times.

No responsibility can be accepted for failure to contact the claims office for any reason within the stated hours.

The above instructions are applicable to both daily and weekly dividend claims.

Abroad

MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow; t, thunder.

		C	F			C	F			C	F
Ajaccio	s	26	77	Cologne	f	17	63	Majorca	f	26	77
Alicante	s	27	81	Cpnhgn	s	14	57	Malaga	s	28	79
Algiers	f	24	75	Corfu	s	25	77	Malta	th	25	77
Amst'dam	c	16	61	Dubrovnik	f	22	72	Mexico C	c	19	66
Athens	s	25	77	Faro	s	25	77	Miami	s	32	90
Bahrain	s	33	91	Florence	c	23	73	Milan	s	23	73
Barbados	c	27	81	Frankfurt	f	18	64	Montreal	s	9	48
Barcelna	s	24	75	Funchal	f	23	77	Moscow	c	5	41
Beirut				Geneva	s	18	64	Munich	d	11	52
Belgrade	f	21	70	Gibraltar	s	23	73	Nairobi	f	28	84
Berlin	c	14	57	Helsinki	s	6	43	Naples	f	25	77
Bermuda	c	24	75	Hong K	s	28	82	N Delhi	s	30	86
Biarritz	c	17	63	Innsbruck	r	18	61	N York	f	13	55
Border'x	s	19	66	Istanbul	r	19	66	Nice	s	23	73
Boul'ne	fg	15	59	Jeddah	s	34	93	Oslo	f	9	48
Brussels	f	18	64	Jo'burg	s	18	64	Paris	c	18	64
Budapst	c	15	59	Karachi	s	21	70	Peking	c	13	55
B Aires	f	16	61	L Palmas	s	26	77	Perth	c	15	59
Cairo	f	30	86	Lisbon	s	21	70	Prague	c	13	55
Cape Tn	s	23	73	Locarno	s	21	70	Reykjvk	c	11	52
Chiasco	f	23	73	L Angels	f	22	72	Rhodes	s	24	75
Chicago	c	18	64	Luxemb'g	c	15	59	Rio de J	c	24	75
Ch'church	c	11	52	Madrid	s	22	72	Riyadh	s	37	99
Ravenna	s	28	73	Salzburg	s	12	54
Rimini	s	19	66	S Fran'co	s	19	66
Salonika	s	27	81	Santiago	f	20	68
Singapore	t	27	81	Sardinia	s	27	81
Stockholm	c	12	54	Sicily	s	27	81
Strasb'g	c	14	57	Sydney	s	17	63
Tangier	f	23	73	Tel aviv	s	27	81
Tenerife	f	26	79	Toronto	f	16	61
Tokyo	f	16	61	Tunis	s	25	77
Valencia	s	25	77	Vancouver	c	14	57
Venice	c	18	64	Vienna	c	14	57
Warsaw	c	13	55	Zurich	f	17	63

* denotes Tuesday's figures are latest available

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STOCK MARKET

FT 30 Share
1248.1 (–9.2)

FT-SE 100
1587.8 (–4.5)

Bargains
22648

USM (Datastream)
122.65 (+0.2)

THE POUND

US Dollar
1.4205 (–0.0145)

W German mark
2.8382 (–0.0304)

Trade-weighted
67.1 (–1.0)

Money market rates firm as sterling plunges

By David Smith, Economics Correspondent

A wave of selling hit the pound yesterday, sending the sterling index down by a full point to a new low, and stepping up the pressure for a rise in base rates.

The index fell from 68.1 to 67.1 as the pound lost ground against all major currencies. Interest rates in the money markets rose and gilt-edged securities fell by up to £1.

The Bank of England intervened modestly in the morning in support of the pound, but it then withdrew. "I think they saw that it was pretty futile," said one dealer.

There were no major new factors affecting the pound yesterday, apart from a television interview with the Chancellor, Mr Nigel Lawson, in which he repeated that entry into the European Monetary System would be considered when appropriate.

He said: "My own personal view is that the time will come when we will join it." But Mr Lawson declined to be drawn on interest rates or the plight of the pound.

It fell by 3.4 pfennigs to a record low of DM2.8382, and it lost 1.45 cents against a generally fragile dollar at $1.4205. The dollar remained just below DM2 yesterday, closing at DM1.9980.

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The Bundesbank announced that it would not be holding a press conference after its fortnightly council meeting today. This indicated that no reduction in German interest rates is pending. A cut could have helped to avert a rise in base rates.

Money market interest rates firmed yesterday. They are in line with a base rate level well above the present 10 per cent.

The three-month interbank rate rose to $10^{15}/_{16}$–$10^{7}/_{8}$ per cent, and the one-month rate closed at $10^{3}/_{8}$–$10^{1}/_{4}$ per cent.

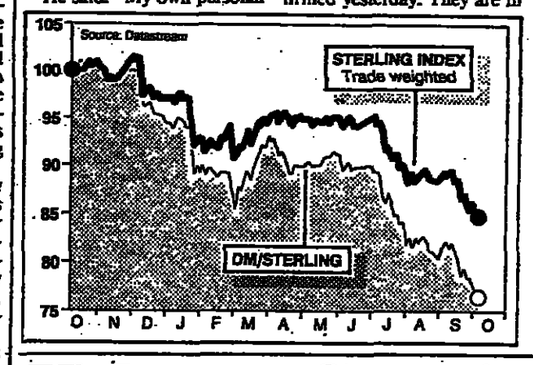
The consensus view in the City is that a one-point rise in base rates will be needed to steady the pound, but that such an increase is not possible until after the Conservative Party conference.

According to Mr Stephen Lewis, chief economist at Phillips & Drew, yesterday's lack of intervention in support of the pound signalled that the Bank of England is preparing the way for a rise in interest rates.

It is clear, however, that the only way for the Government to really hit back in support of the pound will be with a surprise move, such as allowing an increase in base rates just as Mr Lawson is delivering his conference speech at Bournemouth this morning.

But, having spent the past two weeks attempting to avoid such a move, this would be a major sacrifice for the Chancellor.

● The European Community Commission in Strasbourg postponed a decision on whether to propose a devaluation of the "green" pound, used for converting farm support prices under the Common Agricultural Policy, to a full meeting of agricultural ministers.



Michael Guthrie at Mecca's Lyceum Ballroom in London

Mecca Leisure to join stock market

By Alexandra Jackson

Mecca Leisure, the subject of a £95 million management buy-out from Grand Metropolitan last December, is coming to the stock market by way of an offer for sale of 25,926,000 new shares at 135p. This will raise £32.9 million net of expenses, valuing the group at £102.5 million.

Samuel Montagu, the merchant bank, is offering the shares for sale and Greenwell Montagu is the stockbroker to the issue. The application lists will open at 10am next Thursday. Dealings are expected to begin on Thursday, October 23.

The directors of Mecca Leisure estimate the company made £7.5 million in the year to the end of September 1986. In 1985-86, pretax profits were £5.8 million on turnover of £123.9 million. At the offer price of 135p, the shares are valued on an historic price earnings ratio of 15 times.

Mr Michael Guthrie, chairman and chief executive of Mecca Leisure, is expecting the full benefit of the management buyout to be felt this year: "We only gained full control of the group during the second half of last year so the estimated results to the end of September show only half a year of Mecca Leisure under independent management."

Mecca Leisure developed from a business set up in the City of London in 1884 to sell coffee grinding equipment. It came to the stock market in 1898 but lost its independent quotation in 1970 when it merged with Grand Metropolitan.

Mecca Leisure runs 185 trading operations from 157 properties throughout Britain; 80 per cent of these are freehold or long leasehold. The core businesses are entertainment and catering, social clubs and holiday centres.

The money raised will be used to develop the business and to maximize opportunities for future growth. The group spent £57 million on refurbishment between 1981 and 1985. Capital expenditure in 1985-86 was £9 million and is expected to rise to £15 million this year.

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Britain sets £6bn takeover record in US

By John Bell, City Editor

British companies have spent a record-breaking £6 billion so far this year on buying American companies. This transatlantic spending spree represents a substantial extra drain on the British equity market at a time when fund raising from all sources is running at all-time high levels.

It coincides also with a period when institutional cash flows are coming under increasing pressure as companies, faced with pension fund surplusses, opt for a contributions holiday.

These are the main findings of a study published yesterday by Hoare Govett, the stockbroker. So far this year, British companies have spent more than twice the $3.5 billion worth of deals recorded in the whole of 1985.

Some aspects of this activity are of concern to institutional investors. First, there has been a high price paid for many of the United States acquisitions.

More than £2.6 billion of the aggregate sums spent represent goodwill – the premium over net assets of the businesses acquired. Institutional investors who have, in effect, seen an involuntary redistribution of their portfolios due to the spending spree, may have misgivings because of the notoriously patchy record of British companies in the United States.

The scale of the acquisitions has almost certainly contributed to the recent pressure on sterling although the precise effects of this are difficult to quantify. The rush to buy American may be related also to a growing concern that if Labour comes to power after the next election, restriction may be placed on overseas investment.

Almost £2.1 billion of the sums raised from the deals represented a drain on the British equity market in the form of rights issues, vendor placings or vendor rights issues. The funds raised for American acquisitions have been a big factor in the high level of total funds raised in the British equity market so far this year.

A total of £9.6 billion has been raised to the end of September against £7.4 million for the whole of 1985. With the British Gas privatization still to come the 1986 total will be extremely high, says the broker.

Income and capital gearing for the companies which comprise the FT Actuaries Industrial Index is now 15 per cent and 7 per cent respectively, or roughly half the levels reached five years ago.

Much of this has been due to buoyant levels of company profits. Because of this, says Hoare Govett, British quoted companies are in a strong position to expand by taking on more debt. The quoted corporate sector could take on another £32 billion of debt before its collective balance sheet returned to the gearing levels of 1982.

Waterford pays £252m for Wedgwood group

By Cliff Feltham

More than 400 years of craftsmanship were forged yesterday when Waterford Glass, the Irish crystal manufacturer, made an agreed £252.6 million takeover bid for Wedgwood, the bone china group.

The deal creates a world force in luxury tableware. The Wedgwood board, which had fought off a hostile offer from London International, the contraceptives and consumer products business, has welcomed the bid, with 38 per cent of shareholders.

London International, whose bid was being examined by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission, has accepted the terms for its 10 per cent stake expected to bring a profit of about £7.5 million.

Three of the Wedgwood directors are joining the new board, but none was present at the press announcement, causing speculation that their new roles had been a sticking point in reaching agreement.

Sir Arthur Bryan, chairman of Wedgwood, becomes president.

Waterford, revitalised under its chairman, Mr Paddy Hayes, says there is enormous scope for selling the two companies' products through the same outlets.

Waterford's offer of 14 of its shares for every three Wedgwood, places a value on them of 564p. In the stock market, the Wedgwood shares shot up 115p to 568p.

The deal, which wasarranged with the Central Bank of Ireland, enables shareholders in Britain to collect their tax credits on the Waterford shares at a more beneficial rate than in Ireland.

Last year, Waterford earned £12.4 million on sales of £112 million. Wedgwood, which employs 7,000 people, made a similar profit on turnover of £152 million.

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Holmes à Court involved in heavy Standard buying

By Richard Thomson and Richard Lander

Mr Robert Holmes à Court, the Australian entrepreneur, was at the centre of two deals in the City yesterday worth a total of about £70 million. While market sources reported him as a heavy buyer of shares in Standard Chartered Bank, his Bell Resources company launched a tender offer to raise its stake in the Morgan Crucible group to 29.9 per cent.

Shares of Standard Chartered Bank, the international banking group, leapt by more than 40p after heavy buying during the afternoon. It is believed that Mr Holmes à Court bought up to 3 million shares, taking his stake in the bank up about 10 per cent.

He was said to have paid 739p for the shares, making a total cost of more than £22 million. The shares jumped from 699p to 719 in the afternoon and in late trading moved up rapidly to 742p. Most of the buying was thought to have been carried out by Rowe & Pitman.

Mr Holmes à Court is one of the three Far Eastern investors who saved Standard from a takeover by Lloyds Bank last July by buying large holdings at the last moment. A week after the bid failed, Mr Holmes à Court raised his original 7.4 per cent holding to 8 per cent and said he might buy more.

The two other large shareholders are Sir Yue-Kong Pao, the Hong Kong businessman, and Tan Sri Khoo Teck Puat, the Singapore entrepreneur. Sir Yue-Kong Pao owns 14.9 per cent while Tan Sri Khoo owns 5 per cent of Standard.

The renewed buying was seen in some quarters yesterday as a defensive move against Lloyds Bank which still holds 4.9 per cent of the shares. Last month, Lloyds received permission from American banking authorities to buy up to 10 per cent in Standard and is expecting further permission to buy up to 25 per cent. Lloyds cannot launch a new bid until July next year or until another bidder emerges.

Westpac, Australia's largest bank, which has close connections with Mr Holmes à Court has been suggested as a possible bidder.

Elders' finance in place

After a fundraising tour of the world's leading financial centres, Elders IXL, the Fosters lager concern, yesterday announced details of how it will pay for the £1.4 billion purchase of the Courage brewing operations

About £300 million is to be raised by the issue of four 12-year convertible bonds in sterling, dollars, marks and Swiss francs.

The balance will be provided by a three-year £1 billionunsecured sterling loan

Davy makes £16.6m cash offer for Monk

Davy Corporation, the process plant engineering and construction group, has made a recommended all cash offer worth £16.6 million for A Monk, the building and civil engineering contractor.

Davy already had a 29.9 per cent stake in Monk, and bought a further 275,000 shares in the market yesterday, taking its stake to 32.3 per cent. The acquisition will be funded from cash resources, or a loan note.

Benefits to Davy include combining Monk's civil engineering with Davy's process plant, and Monk's property development expertise with Davy's property portfolio.

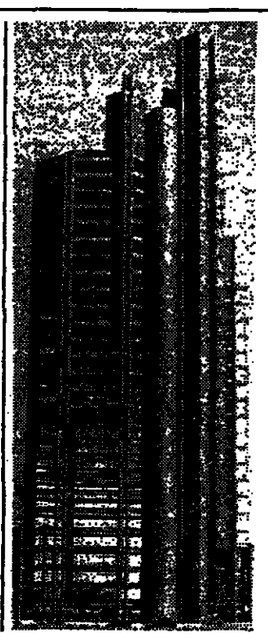
Joint financial resources will allow Monk to compete for larger contracts, and new markets will open to Monk through Davy's worldwide presence.

Monk's pretax profits were £45,000 in the year to February 28 on £136 million turnover, compared with previous year's profits of £1.64 million.

Small contractors like Monk were squeezed out by large companies hunting smaller projects, due to government spending cuts.

Davy raised taxable profits in the year to March 31 from £13.05 million to £16.33 million, on £594 million turnover.

Monk's shares jumped from 119p to close at 154p, with a cash offer per share of 153p.



£300m for tower

By Judith Huntley

Winchester House, a City office block that changed hands for £65 million last year, is to be demolished to make way for a 31-storey office tower, with 380,000 sq ft of space.

A model of the proposed building is pictured left. The scheme could be worth £300 million.

Wates City of London Properties, the only quoted property company developing exclusively in the Square Mile, and Friends Provident Life office, the insurance company, is to pull down the 1960s building in Old Broad Street.

The developers and their agent, Hillier Parker, are confident that it will be prelet to a financial conglomerate still looking for space after Big Bang.

Kaufman in reshuffle

Mr Henry Kaufman, New York's foremost financial guru, has resigned as vice-chairman and director of Salomon Inc, holding company for the investment banking and commodities group, as part of a widespread management reorganization.

The voice that has so frequently moved exchange rates, interest rates and bond prices will be far from stilled however. Mr Kaufman is to concentrate on directing the research department of Salomon Brothers, the group's securities and bond-trading subsidiary.

In the latest *Comments on Credit*, the chief vehicle for his influence over markets, Mr Kaufman puts the latest sterling crisis down to a combination of fears of reflationary policies after the election, allied to Britian's fast-deteriorating trade balance.

The Bank of England's move to support the pound by intervening in the foriegn exchange market rather than raising interest rates marks a break in policy, he says. But he says "the markets may conclude that an increase in British interest rates of more than 100 basis points (1 per cent) will be necessary."

OTT to lift payout

Ocean Transport and Trading, the shipping, transport and services group, yesterday promised shareholders a higher final dividend to help to dissuade them from accepting the £258 million cash bid from Mr Ron Brierley, the New Zealand financier.

Mr Nicholas Barber, the group managing director, declined to give a firm indication of what the final dividend would be, but said the trading position was very good. Although pretax profits for the first half year were slightly down on last year, OTT lifted the interim dividend from 2.55p to 2.9p.

SE first

Baker Harris Saunders Group will be the first commercial estate agent to come to the stock market. A tender offer of 25 per cent of the firm at a minimum 150p a share is to be made, raising £1.78 million net. Market capitalization is £15 million.

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Dividend up

Higgs and Hill, the housebuilding, property and construction group, made pretax profits in the six months to the end of June of £4.6 million, a rise of 19.5 per cent. The dividend was raised 10 per cent to 5.5p net.

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MARKET SUMMARY

STOCK MARKETS

New York
Dow Jones ..... 1799.35 (+14.90)*
Tokyo
Nikkei Dow ..... 17514.80 (–89.56)
Hong Kong:
Hang Seng ..... 2204.41 (+41.65)
Amsterdam: Gen ..... 281.6 (+1.4)
Sydney: AO ..... 1332.6 (+3.2)
Frankfurt:
Commerzbank ..... 2025.0 (+5.7)
Brussels:
General ..... 3852.24 (–19.76)
Paris: CAC ..... 387.0 (–0.2)
Zurich:
SKA General ..... n/a
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INTEREST RATES

London:
Bank Base: 10%
3-month interbank $10^{15}/_{16}$–$10^{7}/_{8}$%
3-month eligible bills: 10%–10⅝% buying rate
US:
Prime Rate 7½%
Federal Funds 5¼%*
3-month Treasury Bills 5.06–5.04%*
30-year bonds $96^{1}/_{32}$–$96^{3}/_{32}$*

CURRENCIES

London:
£: $1.4205
£: DM2.8382
£: SwFr2.3119
£: FFr9.2865
£: Yen219.04
£: Index:67.1
ECU £0.732296

New York:
$: £1.4205*
$: DM1.9965*
$: SwFr1.6270*
$: FFr6.5330*
$: Yen154.22*
$: Index:109.5
SDR £0.843674

MAIN PRICE CHANGES

RISES:

Wedgwood	565p (+112p)
Shell	923p (+10p)
Monk A.	154p (+35p)
Heath CE	471p (+22p)
Consolidated Gold	637p (+15p)
Unilever	1885p (+15p)
Morgan Crucible	285p (+17p)
Arlington	188p (+13p)
Johnston Group	303p (+18p)
Bestwood	435p (+15p)
Cramphorn	338p (+10p)
Regalian	345p (+20p)
Standard Chart.	717p (+18p)

FALLS:

Hawker Siddeley	433p (–10p)
Lucas	483p (–10p)
Countryside Props	405p (–15p)
Morgan Grenfell	370p (–10p)
Higgs & Hill	590p (–10p)
Bowthorpe	560p (–10p)
Really Useful	393p (–10p)
Gus 'A'	975p (–10p)

GOLD

London Fixing:
AM $439.40 pm-$438.10
close $439.00–439.85 (£309.00–309.75)
New York:
Comex $438.80–439.30*

NORTH SEA OIL

Brent (Nov.) pm$14.85bbl ($14.25)
* Denotes latest trading price

Jobs scheme 'works well'

By David Smith, Economics Correspondent

A government scheme to promote self employment is working well, according to a survey conducted by Social and Community Planning Research, a research organization.

The survey, published yesterday in the October *Employment Gazette*, shows that 61 per cent of businesses established under the Enterprise Allowance Scheme were still trading two years after the allowance ended.

Each surviving business employed an average of one other person, and most, 91 per cent, expected to be operating in 12 months' time.

The scheme, providing unemployed people with £40 a week for a year to set up in business if they have £1,000 of their own to invest, operated on a pilot basis in 1982. The survey is based on the experiences of participants in the pilot scheme.

Since 1982, more than 170,000 people have taken part. The scheme is being expanded to provide for 86,000 entrants this year (1986-87) and 100,000 in 1987-88.

Most of the businesses are in the building trade, accounting for 26 per cent of the total. Retailing accounted for 18 per cent; services, broadly defined, also 18 per cent; manufacturing 13 per cent; repairs 11 per cent; and 14 per cent in other trades.

Department of Employment figures suggest the scheme is a cost efficient method of reducing unemployment. The average net cost of each person taken off the unemployment count was £1,800 in the time that the allowance is paid.

This is significantly lower than most other methods of reducing unemployment. But the build-up of employment under the scheme is comparatively slow – after two years every 100 surviving businesses employed 99 people.

● **New unemployment data published in the *Employment Gazette* suggests a lower UK jobless rate in Britain than the 13 per cent estimated by the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development.**

The Labour Force Survey shows that 1.08 million people who were included in the unemployment count last year were either not looking for work, or had paid jobs. This was partly offset by 760,000 people who were seeking work but were not entitled to benefits and so did not appear in the official figures.

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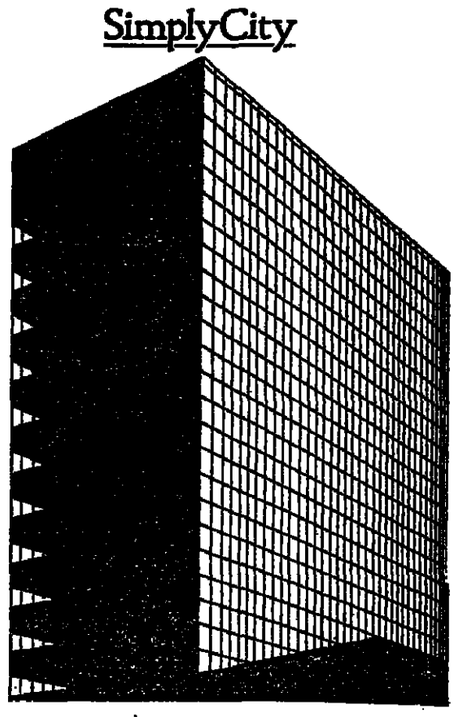

Sarah Hemmings

Board in plea over export support

By Teresa Poole, Business Correspondent

More efficient and speedier support from Government departments is needed to help British companies compete for large overseas capital projects, the Overseas Projects Board said yesterday.

In its review of projects exports since April, 1985, the board — an advisory group of senior industrialists — called also for the more effective use of aid money taking full account of the benefits to British industry, and:

- an increase in Britain's total aid budget
- more support from the machinery of Whitehall for exports
- an increase in the Aid and Trade Provision which should be operated with commercial considerations as the main criteria
- less aid money to be put into 100 per cent grants and instead trasfered to mixed credits

On the question of ATP support, the board makes a plea for quicker decisions from the various Government departments involved including Trade and Industry, the Overseas Development Administration and the Export Credits Guarantee Department.

The report states:"The present system engenders overly cautious attitudes and protracted discussion before decisions are taken. In most cases, we consider the right decisions have finally been reached. But too often these have come about only after excessive discussion and delay.

"The result is a loss of impetus and a surrender of initiative which can be fatal to a company's chance of success."

BASE LENDING RATES

ABN	10.00%
Adam & Company	10.00%
BCCI	10.00%
Citibank Savings†	10.95%
Consolidated Crds	10.00%
Co-operative Bank	10.00%
C. Hoare & Co	10.00%
Hong Kong & Shanghai	10.00%
LLoyds Bank	10.00%
Nat Westminster	10.00%
Royal Bank of Scotland	10.00%
TSB	10.00%
Citibank NA	10.00%

† Mortgage Base Rate.

Spirax-Sarco marginally up

Spirax-Sarco Engineering, the Cheltenham specialist in fluid control equipment, announced a stagnant set of figures for the first half of the year with profits only marginally up from £6.892.000 to £6.909.000.

Turnover in the six months to end-June increased from £42.104.000 to £43.789.000, but earnings per share slipped from 5.8p to 5.6p. The interim dividend is being maintained at 1.5p.

The company blamed the depressed British economy and quiet trading conditions

APPOINTMENTS

Mars Confectionery: Mr Norman Lloyd becomes sales director.

Profile: Mr Mark Norris joins as a director.

The Thomas Cook Group: Mr Trevor J Davies joins the board and Mr John A McEwan becomes managing director, UK Travel.

Ivory and Sime: Mr Jeremy Hayward becomes a director from November 1.

Wade Potteries: Mr J Crosland is made a non-executive director.

Baker Rooke: Mr Richard Blake becomes senior partner and Mr Graham Willett managing partner.

Racal Electronics: Mr Philip Crossland joins the parent board.

Thorn EMI Business Communications: Mr Keith Shepherd becomes managing director.

P-E Consulting Services: Mr Ted Gorman has been made regional director, personnel services division.

Homequity: Mr Patrick Montgomery becomes managing director.

Internationl Flexon Group, Holland: Mr John Handley has been made chairman.

The Registrars' Group of the Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators: Mr Noel Walker becomes chairman.

Groupe Europeen S.A. (GESA Assistance): Mr Robert Picot and Mr Joachim Poch become joint chief executives. Mr Bernard Meiranesio has been nominated chairman GESA (France).

Guiness Mahon & Co: Mr David Ashworth, Mr Philip Atkinson, Mr Nicholas McCarthy, Mr David Roberts, Mr Martin Riley and Mr Robert Philipson Stow become directors.

Britannia heads for full listing

By Richard Lander

Britannia Security Group, the diversified protection and security services company, plans to ring the alarm bells on the Stock Exchange by becoming the first USM company to graduate to a full listing after big bang.

Mr Anthony Record, the chairman, announced the move along with the group's figures for the year to June 30, which showed pretax profits rising to £1.8 million from a restated £626.000.

Turnover rose by 40 per cent reflecting four important acquisitions during the year including, the White Group closed circuit television company and Tele-Link Archives, which stores documents and computer records for companies.

The group has reorganized its alarms division and is buying up local companies to strengthen its national coverage, the latest acquistion being Ultra Security Alarms for up to £400.000. The division has started to offer monitoring facilities to its alarm companies.

With earnings per shares rising from 3.9p to 9.1p, Britannia is paying a final dividend of 0.9p to make an annual total of 1.5p which is 20 per cent up on last year. The shares were unchanged at 123p.

Big advance by Walker

C & W Walker, the engineering company which is about to double in size after the merger with its rival, Greenbank, yesterday announced more than doubled interim pretax profits to £631.000.

Turnover for the six months to August 2 rose from £6.39 million to £7.24 million. The figures were flattered by a contribution from Multiple Industries Group, with which Walker merged in February.

Sir Anthony Jolliffe, chairman and former Lord Mayor of London, says that the broader spread of interests has reduced the group's exposure to cyclical influences. The board is not paying an interim dividend, but it is recommending a final payment of 1.5p. The shares firmed 1p to 57½p.

Johnston profits ahead

Johnston Group, the civil and mechanical engineering business, reported a rise in interim profits from £1.9 million to £2.634 million.The contribution from civil enginnering and road maintenance was significantly higher than last year

Order books are at satisfactory levels and second half profits are not expected to be less than those earned in the second six months of last year.The interim dividend is being raised to 3p against 2.25p last time and the board intends to recommend a final dividend of not less than the 5.25p paid last year.

COMPANY NEWS

● PETRANOL: Mr Alan Milton, director of Inoco, has told Dr Norman White, chairman of Petranol, that Inoco will be voting against the proposed rights issue and acquisition of Apollo in respect of its 6.63 per cent stake.

● GEEST HOLDINGS: Results for six months to June 28. Figures in £000. Turnover £216.734 (£196.952), pretax profit £4.944 (£3.739), tax £1.605 (£1.238). Same dividend. Profitability in the second half cannot normally be expected to match that in the first, but the board views the outlook for the second half, full year and the medium-term future with confidence.

● THOMAS FRENCH: The board has agreed terms, subject to the consent of the South African Reserve Bank, for the sale of the whole of the issued share capital and loan account of the wholly-owned South African subsidiary, Thomas French and Sons Pty. The purchaser is Mr David Watson, chairman and owner of a number of South African companies with which the subsidiary company will be managed as one business.

● ANGLO UNITED DEVELOPMENT CORPN: The board says that by 1pm on October 6 the offer for Audc common shares had been accepted by holders of about 90.7 per cent of the shares. The offer is being extended until October 27.

● FIRSTLAND OIL AND GAS: The company has acquired interests in 28 oil and gas wells in Oklahoma from MRI Production, of Oklahoma City. Proved developed producing reserves being acquired are estimated at 47.000 barrels of oil and 1.2 billion cubic ft of gas. Included in the assets acquired are production payments of not less than $200.000 (£139.000). The consideration is $1.339.638 which has been satisfied by the issue to MRI of 2,464,361 ordinary shares. Arrangements have been made for the sale of these shares to institutional and private investors. Results for year to June 30. Sales £214.348 (£154.849), loss before exceptional items £129.384 (loss £97.219), net loss before tax £925.728 (£97.219), tax nil (same). Loss per share 15.24p (2p) — calculated on average number of shares in issue — 1986, 6.075.134: 1985, 4.854.904.

● IMPERIAL CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES: CSR announced that it is to sell its 50.3 per cent interest in CSR Chemicals to ICI Australia, its partner in the company.The sale is conditional on ICI receiving approval from the Foreign Investment Review Board. CSR Chemicals manufactures speciality chemicals, including plasticisers, purpose-formulated solvents and chemical intermediates for the food and pharmaceutical industries. CSR Chemicals' sales in 1985 were about Aus$85 million.

● KIA ORA GOLD CORPORATION:The chairman says in his annual report that the company produced 35.899 ounces of gold in the past year and he expects it to produce 40.000 ounces in the current year.

● SAVE AND PROSPER STERLING DEPOSIT FUND:In the year to August 31 net income was £2.967 (£7.188), undistributed income brought forward was £3.932 (£1.000), net assets representing participating shareholders' equity of 227.0p (207.0p) was £3.305.566 (£3.524.316).

● KINTA KELLAS TIN:The name of the company is to be changed to Kinta Kellas Investments as the company has diminishing interests in tin-based activities and has diversified into investment holding, property development and manufacturing of plastic building materials.

● POWELL DUFFRYN: The company is restructuring its shipping division. While continuing to trade under their names of Stephenson Clarke Shipping and Cory Brothers Shipping, the shipowning and the shipping services will combine from November 1 under a single management and corporate structure with the name Powell Duffryn Shipping.

● BODY SHOP INTERNATIONAL: The terms have been given of a joint venture agreement with Mr and Mrs Laurence Tarlo to form a company, Colourings, to market a co-ordinated range of colour cosmetics through the Body Shop network. Colourings will be 3 per cent owned by Mr and Mrs Tarlo and 70 per cent by BSI, which will make available a revolving loan facility of £1.3 million to Colourings.

● BATLEYS: The company says that its Newcastle cash-and-carry warehouse and stock, which were completely destroyed by fire, were fully insured, and the company was also covered for loss of earnings. However, there would be an impact on group trading and on profits in the current financial year.

● HEWDEN-STUART PLANT: An interim dividend of 0.625p (0.575p) will be paid. With figures in £ millions. Group turnover 62.393 (58.812) for 26 weeks to August 3, trading profit 12.596 (10.554), depreciation 6.145 (5.381), interest 1.689 (1.526), group profit 4.761 (3.647), taxation 1.300 (0.600), minority interests 0.145 (0.160), earnings per share 3.51p (3.28p), earnings fully diluted 3.03p (2.82p).

● ASH AND LACY: The interim dividend for the 26 weeks to June 27 is 11p (10p). With figures in £000. Turnover 16.768 (17.815), operating profit 1.224 (1.129) after depreciation of 713 (772). Other income less interest payable 192 (56). Profit before tax 1.416 (1.185), tax 660 (529), extraordinary items after tax nil (297), earnings per share 17.9p

● CLIFFORDS DAIRIES: The interim dividend for the six months to the end of June is 3p (2.5p). With figures in £000. Turnover 44.831 (41.108), operating profit 2.544 (2.174), associated companies 83 (59), interest charge 477 (428), pretax profit 2.150 (1.805), tax 820 (812), extraordinary credit after tax 25 (116), earnings per share adjusted for recent rights issue

WALL STREET

New York (AP-Dow Jones) — Share prices rebounded from losses at the opening in moderate early trading yesterday. The Dow Jones industrial average was up about nine points at 1,794, after falling more than seven points shortly after trading began.

The Dow Jones transportation average rose about seven points.

	Oct 7	Oct 6
AMR	58%	58%
ASA	39%	39%
Allied Signal	40%	40%
Allied Strs	65%	64%
Allis Chlmrs	2%	2%
Alcoa	36%	36%
Amax Inc	14%	15%
Am'rda Hs	25	23%
Am Brands	43	43%
Am Can	82%	83
Am Cynm'd	74%	74
Am El Pwr	27%	27%
Am Express	56%	56%
Am Home	74%	75
Am Motors	2%	3
Am St'nrd	39%	38%
Am Teleph	22%	22½
Amoco	68%	66%
Armco Steel	7%	7%
Asarco	14%	15
Ashland Oil	60%	60%
At Richfield	58%	58%
Avon Prods	33%	33%
Bkrs Tst NY	45	44½
Bankamer	14%	12%
Bk of Bston	39%	39%
Bank of NY	57	57%
Beth Steel	7%	7%
Boeing	54	54%
Bse Cascde	57%	58%
Brden	44%	44%
Bg Warner	34%	34%
Brist Myers	73	72%
BP	40%	39%
Burl'ton Ind	36%	35%
Burl'ton Ntn	58%	57%
Burroughs	69%	70%
Cmpbell Sp	58%	58%
Can Pacific	11%	11%
Caterpiller	37%	37%
Celanese	213	215½
Central SW	33%	33%
Champion	26	26
Chase Man	35%	37%
Chm Bk NY	43%	43%
Chevron	45%	45%
Chrysler	37%	37%
Citicorp	46%	48
Clark Equip	19%	20
Coca Cola	34%	35%
Colgate	38%	38%
CBS	126	123½
C'lmbia Gas	41%	42%
Cmb'tn Eng	31%	32
Comwlth Ed	31%	31%
Cons Edis	45½	45½
Cn Nat Gas	30%	31
Cons Power	12%	12%
Cntrl Data	26%	27
Corning Gl	50	50%
CPC Intl	60%	59%
Crane	28%	28½
Crm Zeller	50%	50%
Dart & Kraft	55%	55%
Deere	23%	23
Delta Air	46%	47
Detroit Ed	16%	16%
Digital Eq	90%	92%
Disney	41½	41%
Dow Chem	55%	55%
Dresser Ind	18%	17%
Duke Power	45%	45%
Du Pont	78%	78½
Eastern Air	9	9
Estm Kodak	55	55%
Eaton Corp	70%	69½
Emerson El	81	81%
Exxon Corp	67%	66%
Fed Dpt Sts	87%	88%

	Oct 7	Oct 6
Firestone	25%	24%
Fst Chicago	27%	27%
Fst Int Bncp	53%	54%
Fst Penn C	9%	9%
Ford	55%	54%
FT Wachva	36%	36%
GAF Corp	35%	33%
GTE Corp	55%	55%
Gen Corp	76%	75½
Gen Dy'mcs	73%	73
Gen Electric	71%	71%
Gen Inst	20	19%
Gen Mills	77½	78
Gen Motors	68%	68%
Gn Pb Ut ny	22%	22%
Genesco	3%	3
Georgia Pac	36%	35½
Gillete	37%	39
Goodrich	39%	39
Goodyear	36%	33%
Gould Inc	20½	19%
Grace	48	46%
Gt Atl & Tac	22%	22%
Gr'hnd	32%	33%
Gruman Cor	24%	25%
Gulf & West	62½	63%
Heinz H.J.	40%	40%
Hercules	54	53%
H'lett-Pkrd	37%	38%
Honeywell	69%	70%
IC Inds	24%	24%
Ingersoll	52½	52%
Inland Steel	18%	18%
IBM	128%	133½
INCO	13%	14%
Int Paper	67%	67%
Int Tel Tel	51	49%
Irving Bank	48%	48%
Jhnsn & Jhn	64½	63%
Kaiser Alum	17%	17½
Kerr McGee	27%	27%
Kmb'ly Clrk	80½	80
K Mart	44%	45½
Kroger	30	30%
L.T.V. Corp	2%	2%
Litton	76%	75%
Lockheed	43%	44%
Lucky Strs	37%	36%
Man H'nver	44%	44%
Manville Cp	2%	2%
Mapco	49½	49%
Marine Mid	47%	47%
Mrt Marietta	43%	43%
Masco	24%	24
McDonalds	59	59%
McDonnell	84%	84½
Mead	55%	56
Merck	102	101%
Minsta Mng	100	100%
Mobil Oil	38%	37%
Monsanto	70%	69%
Morgan J.P.	84½	84%
Motorola	35%	37½
NCR Corp	46%	47%
NL Indstrs	5%	5%
Nat Distlrs	41%	41½
Nat Med Ent	24½	24%
Nat Smcndt	9%	9½
Norfolk Sth	81½	82%
NW Bancrp	34%	35%
Occidnt Pet	29½	29%
Ogden	43%	44
Olin Corp	39%	39%
Owens-Ill	40½	40%
Pac Gas El	23%	24½
Pan Am	5%	5%
Penney J.C.	72%	71%
Pennzoil	63	62½
Pepsico	26	26%

	Oct 7	Oct 6
Pfizer	56%	57%
Phelps Dge	20	20%
Philip Mrs	69%	68
Phillips Pet	10%	10%
Polaroid	66%	66%
PPG Ind	64%	64%
Prctr Gmbl	69%	69%
Pb S E & G	39%	40%
Raytheon	62%	63%
Rynlds Met	45½	46%
Rockwell Int	40%	40
Royal Dutch	90%	89%
Safeways	59%	59%
Sara Lee	62%	61%
SFE Sopac	28½	28%
Schl'berger	33%	34%
Scott Paper	61%	61%
Seagram	59%	60
Sears Rbck	41%	40%
Shell Trans	53%	52%
Singer	52	49%
Smthkln Bk	80%	80%
Sony	19½	19%
Sth Cal Ed	33%	33%
Sperry Corp	n/a	n/a
Std Oil Ohio	48	47%
Sterling Drg	43%	42½
Stevens JP	37	36%
Sun Comp	54%	54
Teledyne	308%	311½
Tenneco	40%	40%
Texaco	34%	33%
Texas E Cor	30%	29%
Texas Inst	111	112%
Texas Utils	33	33
Textron	56%	56
Travlrs Cor	44%	44%
TRW Inc	93%	93%
UAL Inc	57%	58%
Unilever NV	211%	211%
Un Carbide	20%	20%
Un Pac Cor	57½	57%
Utd Brands	34	34
USG Corp	40%	41%
Utd Technol	42½	42%
USX Corp	27%	26½
Unocal	23%	23%
Jim Walter	42%	42%
Wrner Lmbt	53%	54
Wells Fargo	103%	102%
W'sghse El	55%	54½
Weyerh'ser	35	36%
Whirlpool	61½	61
Woolworth	39%	40
Xerox Corp	52%	52%
Zenith	20%	20

CANADIAN PRICES

	Oct 7	Oct 6
Abitibi	24	23½
Alcn Alum	43%	43%
Algoma Stl	14	13%
Can Pacific	16%	16½
Cominco	13½	13%
Con Bathrst	23½	28%
Hkr/Sid Can	26½	26%
Hdsn B Mln	24	24%
Imasco	33%	34
Imperial Oil	45%	44%
In Pipe	41	40%
Ryl Trustco	29%	29%
Seagram	82%	82%
Steel Co	21%	21%
Thmsn N 'A'	27%	28½
Varity Corp	2.83	2.85
Wlkr Hiram	37½	37%
WCT	13%	13%

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ECONOMIC VIEW

The threat to the jewel in Mrs Thatcher's crown

By Rodney Lord
Economics Editor

The last thing Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor, will do before he sets off for the conference hall this morning to give his speech to the Conservative Party conference is to check the state of sterling in the markets. And probably the first thing he will do when he gets back to his hotel will be to check it again.

The representatives in the hall will see nothing of this, and they will hear very little of it in the Chancellor's speech either. It will, nevertheless, form a dramatic undercurrent to what Mr Lawson has to say.

Mr Lawson's epic wrestling match with the markets has been prompted - partly by political considerations. Not the politics of a rise in interest rates just before or during the party conference — that would be inconvenient but scarcely disastrous — but the more serious consideration of the impact of higher rates on mortgages, and so on the retail price index.

The reduction in inflation is a prime electoral asset. A rise in rates now, depending on any further changes in the next few months, might not fall out of the year-on-year rate of inflation until November 1987. That could be very inconvenient if the Prime Minister wanted to call an election in the spring or autumn of next year.

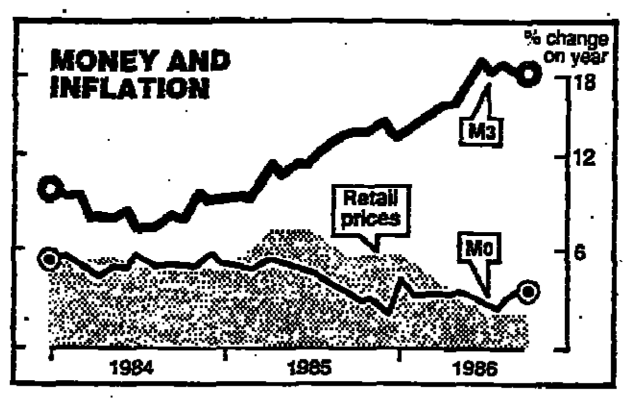
To try to stand in front of the markets like the Little Dutch Boy with his finger in the dike would have been an act of folly if the Government were not convinced that the dike was fundamentally sound. The Government's case that there is no need for a rise in interest rates is roughly as follows:

Nothing has changed in the real economy since the last week of September when sterling began to come under pressure. The only new information is some sign of moderation in pay settlements which cannot be bad. Inflation is at its lowest level for several years and is expected to stay there for some time. Since both growth and inflation have been lower than expected, money GDP is below target which is hardly the sign of an economy overheating.

The narrow measure of the money supply, M0, is within the target range. Real interest rates are at historically high levels. As for sterling, some depreciation was both inevitable and desirable after the reduction in Britain's net exports implied by lower oil prices.

The effect of exchange rate changes on the current account is notoriously uncertain but on most people's calculations, the pound at its current level (more than 13 per cent lower than at the end of last year) has fallen quite far enough to offset over time the effect of lower oil prices.

The case against is that financial conditions onmost of the measures the Government itself uses are too lax. Sterling M3 has been persistently outside its target range of 11-15 per cent — at 18¼ per cent over the year to September. Part of this growth may reflect institutional changes such as the growth of mortgage lending by the banks, but then the wider measures of money, such as PSL1 and PSL2, which include building society deposits, have also been growing fast.



In practice, the exchange rate has usually been the determinant of increases in interest rates and that has recently been moving in one direction. House prices have been rising very rapidly on the back of the boom in mortgage finance which in the past has often been an early indicator of inflation. Special factors might account for some of these movements but can they account for all of them?

Merely setting out these two opposite points of view illustrates how far removed the Government's monetary policy is from operating under clear rules. Interpreting monetary conditions is far from straightforward. Other countries too have had great difficulty in defining their monetary measures.

But the Government's policy now seems to have boiled down to the message: "Trust us, our hearts are in the right place. Inflation has come down and that is what matters." Mr Lawson will have to do a bit better than that when he gives his traditional review of monetary policy at the Mansion House in a week's time.

To do nothing and let sterling go on falling is scarcely an option. If an increase in interest rates threatens to bump up the RPI, so will the fall in the pound if it goes on much further.

In his speech to the International Monetary Fund, Mr Lawson said the underlying rate of inflation which he put at 3¼ per cent was set to continue at about that rate. The basis for this is that the fall in the exchange rate has roughly been offset by the reduction in the price of oil. Since then the pound has fallen further, so the balance has been tipped toward higher inflation.

Meanwhile, the gap between money market rates and bank base rates will encourage round-tripping by traders borrowing from the banks and re-lending at a profit which will swell the money supply further. Admittedly, the Government's need to sell gilts is low at the moment, partly because of the recent increase in the limits on National Savings designed to reduce capital calls ahead of the sale of British Gas.

There are three more or less dramatic options. The Government could go back to overfunding the borrowing requirement which it abandoned a year ago. It could move to a system of monetary base control. Or it could join the exchange rate mechanism of the European Monetary System. Of these, membership of the EMS is the least improbable.

In the City any certainty is better than uncertainty and any news good, so long as it is better than expected. But unless the Opec meeting ends in a spectacular agreement, it is difficult to see anything in the immediate future which is likely to give the markets cheer. Unless some clarification of the Government's commitment to monetary control can be made, it is difficult to see how a rise in interest rates can be avoided.

Meanwhile, in Bournemouth, the Chancellor will have other things to talk about. Sound financial management is only one half of the Government's economic prospectus and, despite the present difficulties in the markets, the one which has been most nearly fulfilled. The other half is the more difficult task of improving the supply side of the economy.

Economic progress depends just as much on convincing the audience at Bournemouth and the wider world of the need to abandon well-loved restrictive practices, increase competition and devolve decisions on spending back to the individual as it does on the Chancellor's uneven relationship with the markets.

COMMENT Kenneth Fleet

Dipping into the $4bn sterling fighting fund

Sterling seemed to be dangerously close to a free fall yesterday. The gilt market, where prices had a suspiciously firm look (offical support?), and the foreign exchange and money markets do not expect either the West Germans or Japanese to help the Chancellor with interest rates cuts.

They sense that the Bank of England may already have used a quarter of its $4 billion pre-election fighting fund in trying to hold up the pound and thus the spirits of the Conservative Party, which might otherwise have had to swallow a base rate rise in conference week.

Optimism now consists of thinking that Nigel Lawson may be able to avoid a rise in interest rates by accepting devaluation or vice versa. At least devaluation would be of the least damaging kind: a modest fall against the dollar and a fall of more than a fifth against the mark and other strong EMS currencies this year. The dollar accounts for about a quarter of the trade-weighted sterling index, against a half for the EMS currencies. But, in general, competitive gains are likely to be concentrated against the EMS currencies.

The comventional models suggest that a 10 per cent devaluation of sterling adds 3 per cent to prices after about two years. History shows that devaluation eventually feeds through to prices on a one-to-one basis, rendering depreciation of the currency useless for improving long-term competitiveness, unless continued *ad infinitum.*

A devaluation against our main competitors in the goods market at least gives a better chance of avoiding this leaden circle of decline. There is little doubt, for instance, that ICI gains a big advantage against German chemical rivals. Much the same applies to heavy engineering, such as electrical generating equipment and process plant. The car trade with Europe should also favour switching production to British factories, if manufacturers felt the new exchange rates were likely to stay. Unfortunately, this is far from being the case.

The rise in inflation, though minimized by the present devaluation mix, seems more certain. If the underlying inflation rate is already about 4 per cent, Mr Lawson cannot afford to be sanguine about any further inflationary effects from the falling pound.

TSB - to sell or not

Tomorrow is the day 3.15 million people have been waiting for — the start of official dealings in TSB shares on the stock exchange. Unless Armageddon is brought forward, they are guaranteed a profit. How big a profit is uncertain, although in the unofficial "grey" market, the shares may have touched 90p — a paper gain of 40p on the price of 50p (half the cost) successful applicants for the shares have so far had to put up. The more difficult question is when to sell in order to take the profit.

The euphoria has slightly worn off, with institutional investors talking down the price. But even a more modest 80p would yield a gross profit of £90 on a 300 share allocation — the largest category of non-priority shareholders.

The crucial question affecting the price is whether or not the institutions will come piling into the market as they did with British Telecom. One argument says they will. The TSB is an obvious institutional stock: it operates in the still highly profitable UK banking market, with no exposure on the wilder and riskier shores of international lending.

On the other hand, the domestic banking market is becoming more competitive and less profitable. Over the next year the TSB is taking on £1.3 billion in cash which it must use somehow. Initially it will go on deposit, dragging down the average return on assets from well over 20 per cent to around 17 per cent for the next five years or so. An institutional fund manager might reasonably wonder what the hurry to buy TSB was about.

The obvious comparisons with TSB are the two Scottish clearing banks which, though not as large, have the same dependence on the domestic market. If the shares rise to 75p, the yield on the proforma 1986 profits will be 4.8 per cent, almost exactly the current prospective yield on Royal Bank of Scotland. If the price goes to 85p, the 4.4 per cent yield is virtually identical with the prospective yield of Bank of Scotland.

At the issue price, the TSB is being sold at a 26 per cent discount to assets — more than any other clearer. But on a 30p premium the discount starts to vanish, although it does not reach the premium to assets at which the Scottish clearers trade.

If the institutions heed their stockbrokers, they are unlikely to buy at more than about 85p. If the grey market is any indication, that is the likely opening price, and it could be lower. If the institutions then made a lemming-like decision to buy, they would temporarily bump the price to a level more than its worth. Small shareholders should take such an opportunity to sell.

The institutions may, however, choose to play a waiting game, lapping up other bank stocks instead until the second part payment next year weakens the TSB price, as it did with BT. In that situation small investors would do just as well to hold on to their TSB shares. There are few safer and better long term investments available.

Would Josiah Wedgwood have agreed?

By Cliff Feltham

Another great British name surrendered its independence yesterday when Wedgwood, the fine china and earthenware company and the pride of the potteries for almost 230 years, agreed to a £252 million takeover bid from Waterford Glass, whose reputation for handcrafted crystals has been built over as many years.

It is no surprise that Wedgwood, bitterly resisting a bid from London International Group, makers of contraceptives and other rubber goods and parent of Royal Worcester Spode, at present under examination by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission, discovered its white knight in the Irish company.

If there is any surprise in the merger it is that it did not happen long ago.

Side by side, the products produced from the kilns of the Midlands and the factories of the Republic of Ireland, represent a world beating combination, from the delicate charm of a Waterford goblet to the grand dinner service produced by Wedgwood.

It is easy to understand why Wedgwood maintained that its pedigree and leadership in world markets stood nothing to gain from London International, which joined the market less than two years ago with the purchase of Royal Worcester Spode.

Paddy Hayes: Valuing Wedgwood (Picture: Alan Weller)

While the Monopolies Commission reviewed the implications of the share of the British ceramic and tableware market, which would be controlled by LIG if it merged Royal Worcester with Wedgwood, about 25 other prospective buyers approached Wedgwood with offers for its business.

Waterford was watching closely. The company dates back to 1783, but its present strategy owes much to a substantial change in ownership in 1984, when the Globe Investment Trust bought a key 21 per cent stake from the principal shareholders, the McGrath family.

Globe put in as chief executive — and now chairman — Paddy Hayes, the former managing director of Ford (Ireland) who swept out many capital gobbling businesses bought during the 1970s when it was fashionable to diversify. He has said: "All the profits made from glass were being poured away down the drain by someone else."

Waterford still remains dependent on the United States for about half of its sales of £112 million a year and will provide a boost for Wedgwood products, which at present represent about 32 per cent of the £152 million turnover.

The two fine established names should easily be able to fight off many of the discounted brands which represent the main threat to growth.

Mr Hayes said yesterday: "In the US our name is synonomous with crystal. We can sell an item for $100 in the US, but only $75 in Europe. We want to build up the Wedgwood name to the same extent, but that does not mean we are going to turn it into an Irish china — we value the name and will keep it."

But at the same time he is keen to reduce dependence on United States sales and is turning his sights on European markets and the Far East.

In Britain, there is immediate advantage in the 150 chain of Wedgwood in-store concessions with his own products, marrying up Waterford's own smaller chain of 25 shops selling Aynsley China, the business which it acquired in 1970.

In Japan, an increasingly important area where the more prosperous endeavour to mirror the buying habits of upmarket Europeans and Americans, Wedgwood does £6 million of business a year and Waterford none.

Mr Hayes says: "To get the breathrough now offered to us would have taken us six years on our own."

In the past few years many famous British names have passed on. Harrods went to the East, Sothebys to the West, Dunhill is owned by a South African, and Fortnum and Mason by a Canadian.

I wonder whether Josiah Wedgwood, founder of the dynasty is turning in his grave at the crossing of the Irish Sea.

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

Eagle Star pays £30m for City lease

By Judith Huntley

● The Eagle Star Insurance Company, advised by Weatherall Green & Smith, has paid £30 million for the head leasehold of the 62,000 sq ft St Mary Axe House, in the City. The scheme was developed by Mount Row Developments, the joint company between Mount Row Properties and Higgs & Hill Developments.

● Prudential Portfolio Managers, part of the Prudential Corporation, the insurance company, is planning a 900,000 sq ft theme shopping park on the M25 motorway near Orpington, Kent, on Green Belt land.

Retailing will take up 15 per cent of the site, which is now Hewitts Farm, a pick-your-own fruit and vegetable business.

● London & Metropolitan Estates, the joint company between London & Edinburgh Trust and Balfour Beatty, which is to come to the stock market next month, has agreed two funding deals on schemes in Ayr, Strathclyde, and Reigate, Surrey. L & M is jointly developing 100,000 sq ft of retailing with Caltrust Developments, in Ayr. The £21 million Kyle Centre, in which Caltrust has a minority holding, has been forward funded by Electricity Supply Nominees.

L & M and City Merchant Developers have funded their 70,000 sq ft office scheme in Reigate, with the ICI Pension Fund. The building has been pre-let to R Watson, the firm of actuaries at £15 a sq ft, thought to be a record for the area.

● Capital & Counties has been selected as the developer of a 390,000 sq ft shopping centre in Bromley, Kent. Financial offers also accompanied the four rival developers' submissions

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

	Market rates day's range October 8	Market rates close October 8	1 month	3 months
N York	1.4170-1.4305	1.4200-1.4210	0.55-0.54prem	1.78-1.75prem
Montreal	1.9681-1.9800	1.9681-1.9709	0.37-0.27prem	1.26-1.11prem
Ams'dam	3.1984-3.2335	3.2057-3.2100	1⅝-1½prem	4½-4¼prem
Brussels	58.72-59.34	58.80-58.91	17-12prem	55-46prem
C'phgen	10.6874-10.7780	10.6874-10.7020	¼prem-⅛dis	1⅝-1⅛prem
Dublin	1.0406-1.0504	1.0428-1.0438	9-21dis	52-102dis
Frankfurt	2.8297-2.8650	2.8372-2.8413	1⅝-1⅜prem	4⅝-4⅜prem
Lisbon	206.61-209.10	206.61-208.81	60-125dis	200-610dis
Madrid	187.79-189.25	187.79-188.07	25-50dis	45-95dis
Milan	1958.20-1979.61	1961.73-1967.37	par-2dis	1prem-3dis
Oslo	10.4072-10.4987	10.4072-10.4216	3¾-4½dis	10¾-11¾dis
Paris	9.2629-9.3738	9.2825-9.2990	1⅞-⅝prem	4½-3⅞prem
St'khlm	9.7334-9.8065	9.7334-9.7473	1⅛-1prem	5⅝-4⅞prem
Tokyo	218.50-220.58	218.98-219.33	1¼-1prem	3⅝-3⅛prem
Vienna	19.94-20.15	19.94-19.98	8⅝-6 prem	24½-22 prem
Zurich	2.3064-2.3360	2.3118-2.3155	1½-1¼prem	4⅛-3⅞prem

Sterling index compared with 1975 was down at 67.1 (day's range 67.1-67.5).

OTHER STERLING RATES

Argentina austral*	1.5281-1.5342
Australia dollar	2.2349-2.2390
Bahrain dinar	0.5365-0.5405
Brazil cruzado*	19.57-19.69
Cyprus pound	0.7250-0.7350
Finland marka	6.9240-6.9640
Greece drachma	191.50-193.50
Hong Kong dollar	11.093-11.103
India rupee	18.20-18.40
Iraq dinar	n/a
Kuwait dinar KD	0.4150-0.4190
Malaysia dollar	3.7311-3.7366
Mexico peso	1100-1150
New Zealand dollar	2.8290-2.8424
Saudi Arabia riyal	5.3355-5.3755
Singapore dollar	3.0879-3.0916
South Africa rand	3.1641-3.1808
U A E dirham	5.2225-5.2645

*Lloyds Bank

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Ireland	1.3575-1.3605
Singapore	2.1700-2.1710
Malaysia	2.6220-2.6240
Australia	0.6360-0.6367
Canada	1.3870-1.3875
Sweden	6.8575-6.8625
Norway	7.3425-7.3475
Denmark	7.5350-7.5400
West Germany	1.9980-1.9990
Switzerland	1.6280-1.6290
Netherlands	2.2592-2.2602
France	6.5380-6.5430
Japan	154.20-154.30
Italy	1383.0-1384.0
Belgium(Comm)	41.50-41.55
Hong Kong	7.7960-7.7965
Portugal	145.90-146.20
Spain	132.25-132.35
Austria	14.04-14.06

Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel.

MONEY MARKETS AND GOLD

Base Rates %
Clearing Banks 10
Finance House 10

Discount Market Loans %
Overnight High: 7 Low 7
Week fixed: 9⅝-9⅞

Treasury Bills (Discount %)

Buying		Selling	
2 mnth	10⅜	2 mnth	10
3 mnth	10⅝	3 mnth	10⅝

Prime Bank Bills (Discount %)

1 mnth	10¹⁄₁₆-9⅞	2 mnth	10⁷⁄₁₆-10⅜
3 mnth	10⁷⁄₁₆-10⅜	6 mnth	10⁹⁄₁₆-10½

Trade Bills (Discount %)

1 mnth	10¹¹⁄₁₆	2 mnth	11¹⁄₁₆
3 mnth	11¹⁄₁₆	6 mnth	11³⁄₁₆

Interbank (%)
Overnight: open 9 close 6

1 week	10⅝-10⅜	6 mnth	11¹⁄₁₆-10¹⁵⁄₁₆
1 mnth	10⅝-10⅜	9 mnth	11¹⁄₁₆-10¹⁵⁄₁₆
3 mnth	10⁹⁄₁₆-10⅞	12 mth	11⅛-11

Local Authority Deposits (%)

2 days	8⅜	7 days	8⅜
1 mnth	10	3 mnth	10½
6 mnth	10⅝	12 mth	10⅝

Local Authority Bonds (%)

1 mnth	11-10¾	2 mnth	11-10¾
3 mnth	11-10¾	6 mnth	11-10¾
9 mnth	11-10¾	12 mth	11-10¾

Sterling CDs (%)

1 mnth	10⁵⁄₁₆-10³⁄₁₆	3 mnth	10⅝-10½
6 mnth	11-10⅞	12 mth	11⅛-10⅞

Dollar CDs (%)

1 mnth	5.95-5.80	3 mnth	5.75-5.70
6 mnth	5.70-5.65	12 mth	5.85-5.80

EURO MONEY DEPOSITS %

Dollar		call	6⅛-5⅞
7 days	5⅝-5¹³⁄₁₆	1 mnth	5⅞-5¾
3 mnth	5⅞-5¾	6 mnth	5⅞-5¾
Deutschmark		call	5-4
7 days	4⁷⁄₁₆-4⁵⁄₁₆	1 mnth	4⅝-4⅜
3 mnth	4⁹⁄₁₆-4⁷⁄₁₆	6 mnth	4⁹⁄₁₆-4⁷⁄₁₆
French Franc		call	9-8
7 days	8⅛-8	1 mnth	8⅜-8⅛
3 mnth	8⅝-8⅜	6 mnth	8⅝-8⅜
Swiss Franc		call	2-1
7 days	1½-1¼	1 mnth	3⁷⁄₁₆-3⁵⁄₁₆
3 mnth	3¹⁵⁄₁₆-3¹³⁄₁₆	6 mnth	4-3⅞
Yen		call	5⅛-4⅞
7 days	4¹¹⁄₁₆-4⁹⁄₁₆	1 mnth	4⅞-4¾
3 mnth	5-4⅞	6 mnth	4⅞-4¾

GOLD

Gold: $439.00-439.75
Krugerrand* (per coin):
$ 437.00-440.00 (£307.75-309.75)
Sovereigns* (new):
$ 103.50-104.50 (£72.75-73.50)
Platinum
$ 420.25 (£598.25)
*Excludes VAT

ECGD

Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV Average reference rate for interest period September 3, 1986 to October 7, 1986 inclusive: 10.855 per cent.

To all Ordinary Shareholders of The Morgan Crucible Company plc ("Morgan Crucible")
This announcement is important and requires your immediate attention. If you are in any doubt about this tender offer, please consult your stockbroker, bank manager, solicitor or other professional adviser immediately.

9th OCTOBER 1986

TENDER OFFER

ON BEHALF OF

Bell Resources Ltd

to purchase 14,770,000 Ordinary Shares of

The Morgan Crucible Company plc

at a maximum price of 320p per share

Financial Advisers to Bell Resources Ltd ("Bell")

LAZARD BROTHERS & CO., LIMITED

Brokers to the Tender Offer

ROWE & PITMAN LTD

Rowe & Pitman Ltd., acting on behalf of Bell hereby OFFERS TO PURCHASE BY TENDER a maximum of 14,770,000 ("the stated maximum") Ordinary Shares of 25p each of Morgan Crucible ("Shares"), representing 16.5 per cent. of the total issued share capital of Morgan Crucible, on the following basis:—

1. The maximum price per Share shall be 320p. All tenders must be expressed in whole pence per Share.
2. Unless tenders in respect of at least an aggregate of 893,895 Shares (representing 1 per cent. of the voting rights of Morgan Crucible) are received, the Offer shall be void.
3. Subject to the provisions of paragraph 2 above, all tenders will be irrevocable.
4. The tender offer will close at 3.30 pm on Thursday, 16th October 1986.
5. Where a tender is accepted and results in a sale, settlement will be effected between The Stock Exchange member firms concerned on Monday, 3rd November, 1986.
6. Bell already holds 12,045,000 Shares of Morgan Crucible (approximately 13.5 per cent.) and will hold 29.9 per cent. if it receives the maximum amount of Shares now being offered for.
7. If the number of Shares tendered for sale is above the stated maximum, the striking price will be the lowest price at which the number of Shares offered for hereunder is met and all shareholders who tender at or below the striking price will receive that price. If necessary, tenders made at the striking price will be scaled down pro rata or balloted. If the number of Shares tendered is less than the stated maximum, tendering shareholders will receive the maximum price of 320p (subject to paragraph 2 above).
WARNING: NO SHARES TENDERED ABOVE THE STRIKING PRICE WILL BE ACCEPTED. SHAREHOLDERS WISHING TO SELL THEIR SHARES UNDER THIS OFFER SHOULD BE AWARE THAT IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THE STRIKING PRICE COULD BE BELOW THE MAXIMUM PRICE.

Procedure for Tendering

8. Shareholders of Morgan Crucible who wish to tender all or some of their Shares under this offer at the maximum price or a lower price can do so by contacting their stockbroker or other professional adviser. Instructions can be given to stockbrokers by any means desired. Tenders will be held by The Stock Exchange until the Offer closes at 3.30 pm on Thursday, 16th October, 1986.
Tenders by stockbrokers on behalf of clients and tenders by jobbers must be in sealed envelopes and lodged in accordance with the requirements of The Rules and Regulations of The Stock Exchange.

Future Intentions of Bell

9. Bell regards its present interest in the share capital of Morgan Crucible as a long term strategic investment. Consistent with this approach, Bell now wishes to increase its interest in a manner which confers on all shareholders of Morgan Crucible an equal opportunity to realise all, or part, of their investment, should they choose to do so, on favourable terms. It is not Bell's present intention to make any general offer to acquire the remaining Ordinary share capital of Morgan Crucible for at least three months and it has made no decision as to its policy thereafter; Bell would, however, reconsider its position in the event of any material change of circumstances in the next three months including, for example, if the Board of Morgan Crucible were to agree such an offer on a recommended basis or propose a material corporate transaction or if a third party announces its intention to make any offer or tender for Ordinary shares of Morgan Crucible.

Sarah Hemmings

STOCK MARKET REPORT

LCP Holdings at new peak on Ward White bid speculation

By Michael Clark and Carol Leonard

LCP Holdings, the specialist retailer and motor parts group, was the main talking point after hours yesterday as dealers braced themselves for a bid today from Ward White, the Payless do-it-yourself to Owen Owen and Zodiac Toys stores group.

LCP shares rose 7p to a new peak of 134p amid whispers that the ambitious Mr Philip Birch, chairman of Ward White, had run his slide rule over the company and liked what he saw. He may have already built up a small stake.

Dealers claim that he is likely to offer 150p a share as an opening shot which would value LCP at almost £125 million.

Earlier this year Mr Birch *paid Marley £93 million for* Payless, which has more than lived up to expectations. Analysts have been quick to heap praise on Mr Birch for the deal and this has led to suggestions that he is anxious to repeat the feat with a similar acquisition.

Ward White finished 4p lower at 334p.

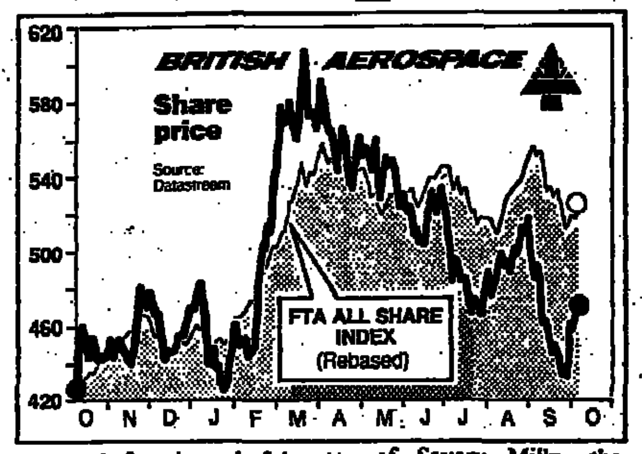
There was also talk last night that Mr Tony Berry, chairman of the fast-growing **Blue Arrow**, is about to ask shareholders for more money to help finance his latest major acquisition. We should hear soon that the group, which is involved in activities from employment services to travel and industrial cleaning, has clinched a major acquisition in the United States.

Dealers were speculating that the deal could be worth more than £20 million and was likely to be financed by a one-for-three rights issue. Blue Arrow joined the Unlisted Securities Market in 1984 and earlier this year graduated to a full listing. Last year it paid nearly £20 million for Brook Street Bureau, and it is now one of the biggest employment agencies in the country with a *stock market value of £90* million. Last night Blue Arrow firmed 2p to 378p.

British Aerospace was a couple of pennies easier at 768p despite a bullish presentation to City analysts at its military aircraft headquarters at Preston, Lancashire, yesterday afternoon.

Since the end of June its order book has expanded by £400 million. It signed a £150 million contract to supply eight Harrier jets to India yesterday. It expects to receive an £850 million order from the Ministry of Defence to supply Rapier anti-aircraft weapons before the end of the year and it is negotiating another £150 million contract to supply the Italian navy with eight Harriers.

"The presentation was impressive and the news on the order book very bullish," said Wood Mackenzie, the broker, who attended the meeting.



● Jaguar gave up 5p to 536p despite a rapturous response from the City for its new XJ40 car. But the downturn is likely to be short lived. Mr Richard Lake, chartist at Savory Milln, the broker, rates the shares as still a buy and says he sees them going up to 600p. "The new car is going to be a huge success," he says.

The stock market had a dull day on low volumes. The FT 30-share index closed off its worst at 1248.1, down 9.2. The FT-SE 100 share index was 4.5 lower at 1587.8.

Gilts were £⅝ easier in the longs and £⅛ easier at the shorter end after an active day's trading.

Leading shares were mixed. Hawker Siddeley lost 10p to 433p, GKN 4p to 250p, **Blue Circle** 3p to 553p.

Grand Metropolitan, the hotels and brewing empire, ended the day unchanged at 443p. Laing and Cruickshank, the broker, was spotted back in the market buying yet more stock, and American traders were also said to be buying.

The latest speculation is that Philip Morris, the US tobacco group, will come in with an agreed bid for Grand Met once the sale of Liggett Myers has gone through, but sector watchers have already discounted it as wide of the mark.

Bank of Scotland, which has also been tipped as a "buy" by chartist Richard Lake, a director of Savory Milln, the broker, went up 3p to 432p. **Lloyds** also gained 3p to 412p while Midland lost a couple to 537p.

Mr Robert Holmes à Court, the Australian financier, went *on a £70 million spending spree yesterday. He has decided to top up his holding in* **Standard Chartered** and he instructed Rowe & Pitman, the broker, to bid 739p for 3 million shares (2 per cent) in the market.

It takes his total holding in Standard to 10 per cent. Meanwhile, his own company, Bell Resources, is making a tender offer for 14.7 million shares in **Morgan Crucible** through Rowe & Pitman, the broker, at a maximum price of 320p.

This, combined with the 12.04 million shares Bell already owns, will lift his stake to 29.9 per cent. Morgan Crucible responded to the news with a jump of 45p to 311p.

● Elders IXL, the Australian brewing group with a London quote, advanced 8p to 211p and further support is likely. Australian members of the main board lunched with *British institutional* investors yesterday at the Savoy. Elders wants to *broaden its instituitonal base* and hopes its guests will have been persuaded to buy shares.

Shares of **British Benzol**, the smokeless fuel manufacturer, mining and fuel distribution group, were suspended at 90p awaiting completion of its *latest acquisition, which is in* effect a reverse takeover, and details of another rights issue.

The group is paying £25 million for **Powerscreen Group**, a leading manufacturer and distributor of mobile screening equipment used for quarrying and mining.

To help finance the deal **British Benzol** is issuing 35.71 million new shares. The group is also hoping to raise an extra £2.7 million by offering shareholders a total of 6.05 million shares at 70p.

Powerscreen makes most of its profits in the Rupublic of Ireland and in the two years between 1983 and 1985 they have risen from £3.4 million to £5.7 million on turnover up from £14.8 million to £26.2 million.

Attwoods, the waste disposal and aggregates supplier, firmed 1p to 211p. Last year the group saw pretax profits climb from £5.16 million to £7.4 million on turnover £20.9 million higher at £56.42 million.

Later this month Mr Foreman will embark on a US roadshow to promote the group to American fund managers ahead of a proposed quote for the shares on the US over-the-counter market.

The shares are already quoted in New York in the form of American Depositary Receipts.

There was more misery in store for shareholders in **Morgan Grenfell**, the merchant bank, as the price slipped another 10p to a new low of 370p. Floated at 500p in June, the shares now stand at a 130p discount to the striking price and must be due soon for a rally. But the present low level of bid activity and fears that there are still sellers around, has done little for confidence.

Frank G Gates, the Ford main dealer, held steady at 96p after announcing a rise in interim pretax profits from £530,000 to £601,000. But the market is still looking for a bid for the family-controlled business and this was heightened by speculation yesterday that a large parcel of shares had changed hands outside the market.

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

Three Month Sterling	Open	High	Low	Close	Est Vol
Dec 86	89.12	89.15	88.82	88.88	6072
Mar 87	89.24	89.34	89.10	89.14	429
Jun 87	89.60	89.60	89.31	89.35	281
Sep 87	89.40	89.40	89.20	89.23	35
Dec 87	89.03	89.03	88.90	88.90	19
Mar 88	88.78	88.78	88.55	88.55	16
Previous day's total open interest 12160					
Three Month Eurodollar	Previous day's total open interest 23043				
Dec 86	94.23	94.25	94.20	94.24	3456
Mar 87	94.15	94.16	94.12	94.14	590
Jun 87	93.95	93.95	93.90	93.92	91
Sep 87	93.59	93.61	93.57	93.59	90
US Treasury Bond	Previous day's total open interest 6896				
Dec 86	96-24	96-26	95-30	95-11	3949
Mar 87	96-01	96-01	96-01	95-14	1
Jun 87	N/T	—	—	94-14	0
—	—	—	—	—	—
Short Gilt	Previous day's total open interest 1438				
Dec 86	95-36	95-40	95-36	95-39	40
Mar 87	N/T	—	—	95-39	0
Jun 87	N/T	—	—	—	0
—	—	—	—	—	—
Long Gilt	Previous day's total open interest 14770				
Dec 86	109-27	110-14	109-16	110-01	10605
Mar 87	109-25	110-06	109-25	109-31	11
Jun 87	N/T	—	—	109-31	0
Sep 87	N/T	—	—	—	—
FT-SE 100	Previous day's total open interest 2589				
Dec 86	161.00	162.20	160.10	162.20	357
Mar 87	N/T	—	—	165.20	0

TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

First Dealings	Last Dealings	Last Declaration	For Settlement
Oct 6	Oct 17	Jan 8	Jan 19
Oct 20	Oct 31	Jan 22	Feb 2
Nov 3	Nov 14	Feb 5	Feb 16

Call options were taken out on: 8/10/86 North Kalgurli Mines, Kal Ora, Appledore, Readicut, Control Secs., Foseco Minsep, Johnson Firth Brown, Amalgamated Financial, TV-AM, M&G, Morgan Grenfell, Atlantic Computers, J. Woodhead, CASE Group, Premier, Cronite Group, Wace Group, Milford Docks, Celtic Haven, Tranwood Group, Stormguard, Ashley Inds., Gestetner.
Put & Call: Buckley's Brewery, Polly Peck, Premier, Barrie.

TEMPUS

Mecca ready for growth from leisure pursuits

Given the origins of the Stock Exchange, the City cannot easily turn its back on a business whichbegan life as a coffee house. Mecca Leisure has come a long way since then, and it now has interests ranging from bingo and nightclubs to holidays and catering.

Statisticians point to the increasing leisure time available to us. Apparently consumers are spending a bigger proportion of their income on leisure activities. The market, said to be worth £52 billion, is growing faster than overall consumer spending.

Leisure fashions may change, but this does not bother Mecca. It has a property portfolio which is the envy of many, and a management team experienced enough to maximize the potential of the three core businesses.

Since 1979, when the management team was put in place, there has been a continual review of the property portfolio. This has taken the form of disposing of low-performing assets and refurbishing others. This is not only ensuring the continued loyalty of customers but it is providing new opportunities.

Bingo clubs, although a sound and uncyclical source of income, are not normally considered to be a growth area, the average member being a woman aged 55. However, after the refurbishment of several properties, the average age *fell to* 45, and there were even signs that men had been on the premises.

Nearly a third of the space in the social clubs is under used. As part of Grand Metropolitan, Mecca did not have a free hand to use this space by creating an integrated catering-entertainment operation. Now it can. Pilot schemes demonstrate that multi-purpose premises enjoy an immediate boost to revenue

The shares at 135p stand on 15 times estimated 1985-86 earnings of 9p. This is in line with the sector and reflects the management's experience and track record. Moreover, Mecca is of a size to be attractive to the serious institutional investor. The year 1986-87 will be the first full one for the management buyout team to demonstrate its prowess. Profits should be well up — perhaps to £13 million — as margins continue to widen and the interest charge falls after the flotation.

It looks as if it will be several years before Mecca Leisure shows signs of running out of steam.

Higgs and Hill

Higgs and Hill's strategy of concentrating on housebuilding and property, while keeping construction ticking over, is paying off.

Interim turnover was up 7.2 per cent but taxable profits rose 19.5 per cent to £4.6 million, reflecting the shift to higher margin businesses. The acquisition of Southend Estates Group, in for the last four months of this year, will mean that more than half the group's profits come from housebuilding.

Higgs and Hill is now operating out of 30 sites from East Anglia to Weston-super-Mare, selling homes at an average £85,000 to £90,000 each.

Domestic construction increased turnover but margins remained tight. Overseas construction saw a fall in turnover after the completion of two large contracts. The company is exploring new opportunities in the Far East and Carribean.

On the property front the Parisian letting market proved buoyant. Higgs and Hill's rental income is expected to grow by about 12.5 per cent this year.

Full year profits should reach £10.5 million. Assuming tax at 40 per cent, the prospective p/e ratio is under 12 on shares down 10p at 590p.

The full benefits of SEG will come through next year when profits could exceed £15 million, bringing the rating down below 10. For a well managed company with a strong balance sheet, the shares are not expensive.

Baker Harris Saunders

Baker Harris Saunders is the first firm of commercial estate agents to come to the stock market. It has made its name and fortune from the booming City of London office market where it specializes in letting the large office developments so much in demand from the financial conglomerates which have flooded in ahead of big bang.

Rowe & Pitman, the brokers to the sale by tender of 25 per cent of the firm, have set a minimum tender price of 150p per share, giving the agents a market capitalization of £15 million. The striking price is likely to be at least 30p per share above that, with the firm reporting *strong institutional interest* in having a stake in what is a healthy profits earner.

The forecast p/e ratio is 14 times. It is a difficult figure to set, allowing for the fact that there there are no comparables in the market, but it looks relatively undemanding. The earnings of *residential* estate agents are of little help here. They are much shorter term than those of commercial firms which may wait five years or more to receive commission from £100 million plus commercial developments.

Baker Harris Saunders has 15 to 20 big projects in the pipeline which will ensure fee income at least in the medium term. Pretax profits of £1.6 million are forecast for the year ending April 30, 1987 — double those for 1986.

There has been an average annual increase in earnings per share of 105 per cent in the past five years with a forecast of 10.7p per share for *the next financial year.*

The problem for Baker Harris will be to maintain its growth rate either by acquisition or organically in what is a notoriously cyclical market. The firm is aiming to expand its agency operations to the West End of London and the areas around the M25. The £1.78 million net raised by the tender offer will be used for this.

It will need to spread potentially lumpy profits and diversify to cover the risk associated with a high exposure to a current bull market.

One area into which the agents will not be diversifying is the 10 million sq ft *financial centre planned in* London's Docklands at Canary Wharf by Mr G Ware Travelstead. Baker Harris sees it as back-up for the City not as a competitor.

Consistent growth continues with excellent half-year results

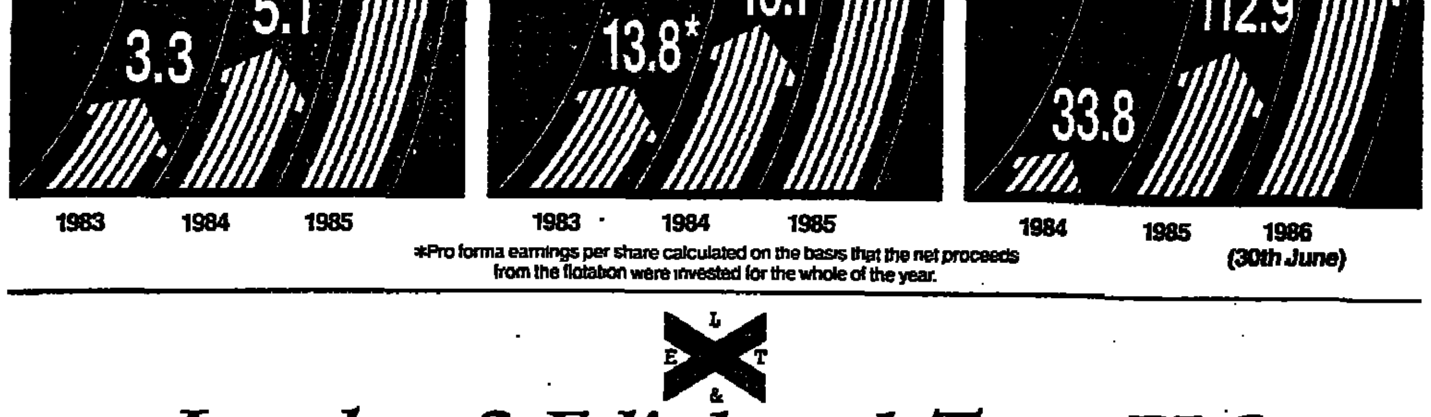
	6 months ended 30th June 1986 (unaudited)	6 months ended 30th June 1985 (unaudited)	Percentage Increase	12 months ended 31st Dec. 1985
Profit before tax	£6.936m	£3.256m	113%	£9.202m
Earnings per share	20.7p	11.0p	88.2%	27.2p

Prospects

"Present indications are that the profits before taxation for the year as a whole will be satisfactory to shareholders. A number of substantial institutional fundings have been agreed which, allied to strong tenant interest in the development programme, should ensure the continued growth in activity and, therefore, dividends of your Company."

John Beckwith CHAIRMAN

The story so far



*Pro forma earnings per share calculated on the basis that the net proceeds from the flotation were invested for the whole of the year.

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RECENT ISSUES

EQUITIES			
Anglia Secs (115p)	191 +1	Hughes Food (20p)	24
Appleyard (125p)	9	Local Lon Gp	175 +5
BBB Design (67p)	68	M6 Cash & C (100p)	93
Beaverco (145p)	150	Marina Dev (110p)	83
Broad St (43p)	51	Marlborough Tech (110p)	119 −3
Chelsea Man (125p)	126 −1	Miller & Santhouse (105p)	148 +4
Creighton Labs (130p)	193 −2	Newage Trans (75p)	73
Euro Home (160p)	136 +7	Radamec Gp (90p)	90
Eve Construction (105p)	108	Sandell Perkins (135p)	161
Fletcher Dennys (70p)	67	Scot Mtge 100% #25	£17¼
Great Southern (135p)	158 +5	Stanley Leisure (110p)	143
Guthrie Corp (150p)	168	Thames TV (190p)	263 +2
Harrison (150p)	160	Treas sH%i/l 2016 #97	£93¼ −⅛
Hille Ergonom (92p)	90	Unilock (63p)	69
		Yelverton (38p)	36 −1
		Yorkshire TV (125p)	143 +3

RIGHTS ISSUES	
Banro Inds N/P	21
Boots N/P	232 −2
Christy Hunt F/P	30
Comtech Fin N/P	£1
Goodhead Print N/P	7
Leisuretime N/P	6 −1
New Ct Nat Res F/P	7
Platignum N/P	1
Thurgar N/P	5½
Tilbury N/P	13
	293

(Issue price in brackets).

LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

	Series	Calls Oct	Calls Jan	Calls Apr	Puts Oct	Puts Jan	Puts Apr
Allied Lyons (*310)	300	15	28	38	4½	12	15
	330	2	14	22	25	27	30
	360	1	4	11	53	55	60
BP (*690)	600	95	113	132	1	6	14
	650	45	73	93	3	15	32
	700	15	38	55	23	38	55
Cons Gold (*637)	550	92	105	124	2	13	25
	600	45	77	90	4	25	37
	650	16	45	57	27	40	52
Courtaulds (*277)	260	18	30	40	1½	8	10
	280	8	20	31	9	17	18
	300	1½	14	23	27	29	30
	330	½	9	—	56	58	—
Com Union (*277)	260	20	33	41	3	8	9
	280	8	22	30	11	15	17
	300	1½	13	20	25	27	30
Cable & Wire (*307)	275	38	—	—	½	—	—
	280	—	48	57	—	10	15
	300	15	30	43	5	17	22
	325	4	16	27	22	28	33
Distillers (*695)	600	110	—	—	1	—	—
	650	60	—	—	10	—	—
	700	15	—	—	15	—	—
GEC (*170)	160	16	22	28	4	8	11
	180	2½	11	18	13	15	20
	200	1½	4	9	30	30	38
Grand Met (*443)	382	63	—	—	½	—	—
	390	—	70	78	—	5	8
	420	26	47	57	2½	14	18
	460	6	22	32	25	30	37
ICI (*1106)	950	162	187	200	2	7	10
	1000	112	142	155	2	12	20
	1050	64	102	115	6	22	32
	1100	24½	65	82	20	40	65
Land Sec (*312)	300	18	28	35	4	7	9
	330	3	13	20	18	20	21
	360	1	5	11	48	48	48
Marks & Spen (*191)	180	15	23	30	1½	5	7
	200	4	13	20	11	15	18
	220	1	6	12	31	32	33
Shell Trans (*918)	850	72	108	123	3	14	25
	900	25	70	88	10	32	42
	950	6	40	58	38	55	80
Trafalgar House (*272)	260	17	27	35	5	12	16
	280	5	15	23	13	24	28
	300	2	7	14	30	36	40

	Series	Dec	Mar	Jun	Dec	Mar	Jun
Beecham (*413)	360	63	70	—	4	8	—
	390	38	50	65	8	18	25
	420	23	38	45	25	33	40
	460	9	20	—	53	58	—
Boots (*233)	200	36	50	56	1½	4	7
	220	23	34	41	7	10	12
	240	13	23	29	15	17	22
BTR (*296)	280	28	38	45	9	12½	19
	300	—	26	35	—	23	30
	333	4	—	—	42	—	—
Bass (*692)	650	72	83	98	10	17	22
	700	35	52	63	23	40	47
	750	17	28	35	65	70	78
Blue Circle (*553)	550	32	50	60	20	27	32
	600	13	28	35	50	53	55
	650	5	12	—	100	100	—
De Beers (*720)	650	100	125	—	13	25	—
	700	73	100	110	34	45	65
	750	48	70	85	60	80	95
	800	28	50	—	95	110	—
Dixons (*334)	300	46	54	—	3	6	—
	330	24	32	44	13	15	20
	360	13	20	30	32	36	40
GKN (*250)	240	23	35	46	6	14	17
	260	15	26	34	18	23	28
	280	7	17	25	33	36	39
	300	3	9	—	51	51	—
Glaxo (*948)	900	88	125	155	25	42	55
	950	57	95	125	50	64	75
	1000	35	75	100	80	92	100
	1050	22	52	—	115	125	—
Hanson (*188)	160	33	38	—	1½	4½	—
	180	17½	23	30	6	10	13
	200	8	13½	18½	17	19	21
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

	Series	Calls Dec	Calls Mar	Calls Jun	Puts Dec	Puts Mar	Puts Jun
Jaguar (*533)	500	57	77	93	17	22	28
	550	27	48	65	28	42	50
	600	11	27	—	68	75	—
Thorn EMI (*464)	420	80	72	85	3	15	14
	460	34	50	62	15	23	27
	500	14	27	40	42	43	47
	550	4	11	—	90	90	—
Tesco (*391)	330	73	—	—	1	—	—
	360	45	57	—	4	8	—
	390	25	38	52	15	22	27
	420	13	23	30	30	35	40

	Series	Nov	Feb	May	Nov	Feb	May
Brit Aero (*463)	420	58	77	92	3	10	15
	460	32	50	65	17	23	27
	500	10	30	43	40	45	50
BAT Inds (*448)	360	95	108	—	½	1½	—
	390	65	80	88	1½	5	8
	420	40	55	63	6	13	18
	460	16	28	40	25	30	35
Barclays (*454)	460	25	47	57	13	22	27
	500	10	25	37	42	47	52
	550	3	10	17	92	92	92
Brit Telecom (*182)	180	11	20	28	5¾	13	15
	200	3½	8	16	21	24	26
	220	1	3½	10½	38	38	38
Cadbury Schwpps (*178)	160	22	29	33	2	6	9
	180	8	16	20	10	12	14
	200	3	9	—	25	26	—
Guinness (*315)	300	25	35	45	6	13	17
	330	9	17	25	20	27	30
	360	4	7	11	47	50	52
Imperial Gr (*378)	300	80	—	—	1	—	—
	330	50	—	—	1½	—	—
	360	25	—	—	8	—	—
Ladbroke (*351)	330	24	37	43	3	10	13
	360	10	17	25	21	27	33
	390	3	9	13	50	53	57
LASMO (*125)	110	23	30	32	5	10	12
	120	14	25	28	8	14	18
	130	8	15	20	15	21	25
Midland Bank (*537)	500	50	67	77	7	12	17
	550	23	37	50	27	32	37
	600	6	15	27	70	70	72
P & O (*501)	460	50	67	—	3	7	—
	500	20	42	57	18	25	30
	550	4	17	28	53	55	63
	600	1	—	—	103	—	—
Racal (*148)	160	6	14	20	16	20	22
	180	2½	8	12	34	34	36
	200	1½	3	7	54	54	54
RTZ (*692)	550	147	157	—	2	7	—
	600	97	117	124	5	10	24
	650	60	77	100	11	25	37
	700	35	50	64	27	45	57
Vaal Reefs (*86)	70	18½	22	28	2	5	6¼
	80	10½	16½	20½	5	8½	10
	90	5½	11½	13½	10	14	18

	Series	Nov	Mar	Jun	Nov	Mar	Jun
Lonrho (*220)	200	29	38	40	2	6	10
	218	17	—	—	8	—	—
	236	7	—	—	20	—	—
	240	—	14	19	—	28	34
	255	2	—	—	37	—	—

	Series	Nov	Feb	May	Nov	Feb	May
Tr 11¾% 1991 (*£101)	100	2¼	43/64	3½	13/64	1⅛	1⅞
	102	1 3/64	29/64	2 9/64	1⅞	2¾	47/64
	104	⅝	1	1⅝	3⅞	4¾	4⅞
Tr 11¾% 03/07 (*£108)	106	3⅝	5	30/64	1¼	9 3/64	3⅝
	108	2⅛	4	5	2¼	4 7/64	4⅝
	110	2 1/64	3⅛	4⅝	4	5¾	20/64
	112	1⅛	2⅞	3⅜	5⅝	6¾	7⅝
	114	¾	1⅝	2⅞	7	8 3/64	8½
	116	9/64	1⅝	2 1/64	8¾	9¾	10

		Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan
FT-SE Index (*1587)	1525	75	87	—	—	5	13	—	—
	1550	52	70	90	102	10	18	25	35
	1575	38	55	72	85	20	27	32	50
	1600	27	38	60	70	31	38	43	65
	1625	15	25	48	—	48	53	53	—
	1650	7	20	37	—	67	68	73	—
	1675	3	17	28	—	92	93	92	—
	1700	2	10	20	—	117	117	120	—

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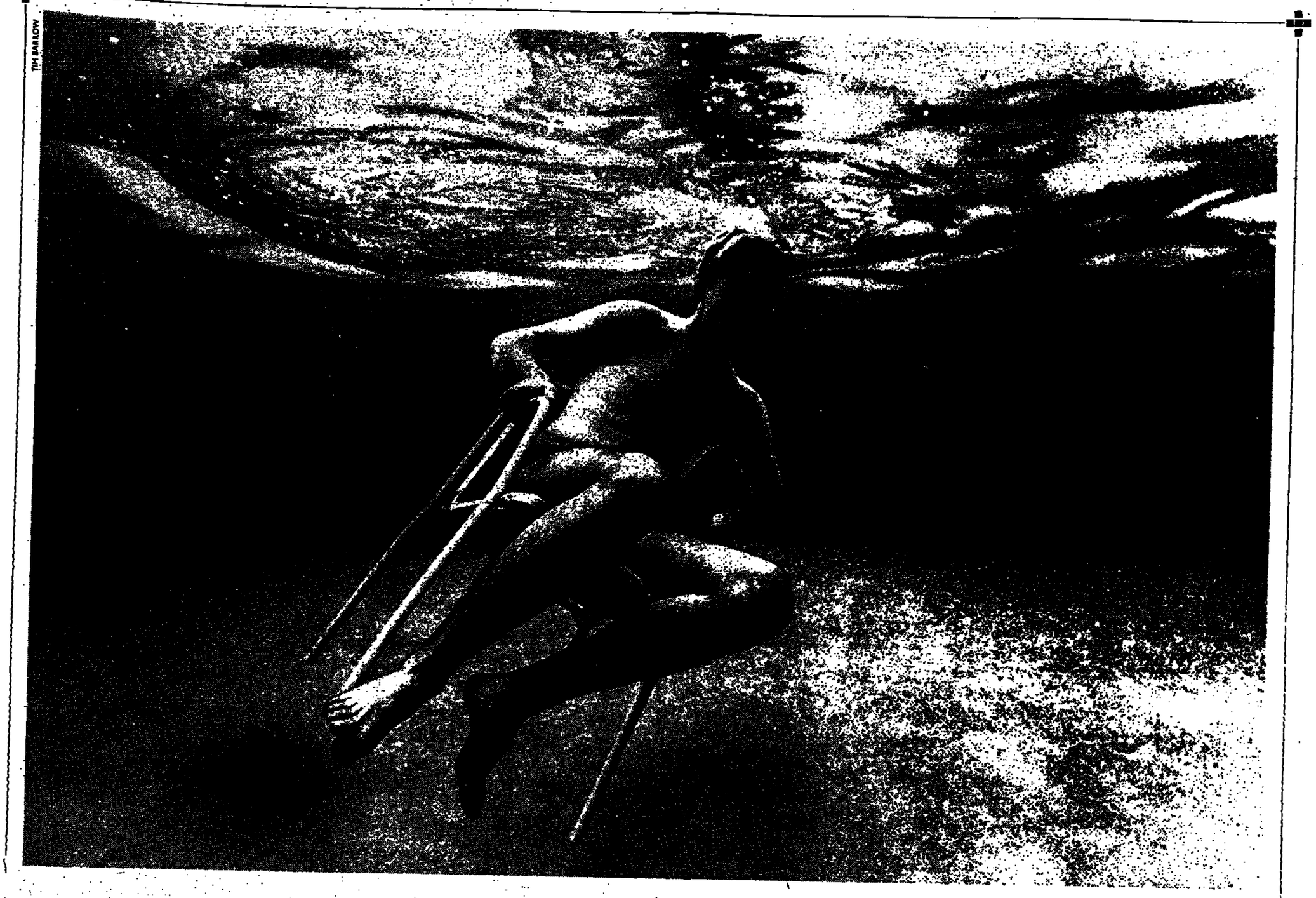

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THE TIMES UNIT TRUST INFORMATION SERVICE

Fund	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
ABBEY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
80, Holdenhurst Rd, Bournemouth BH8 8AL				
0345 717373 (Linkline)				
Gilt & Fixed	106.3	112.4●	-0.5	10.88
High Inc Equity	92.6	98.5●	+0.5	5.03
Worldwide Bond	202.7	215.8	+1.8	4.47
American Growth	152.9	162.8	+0.9	1.65
Asian Pacific	54.3	58.0	+0.9	2.34
Assets & Earns	103.3	110.4	+0.1	2.22
Capital Reserve	84.4	84.8	-0.1	1.59
Comm & Energy	92.1	98.0●	+0.3	2.09
European Capital	101.5	107.9	+1.3	1.18
General	132.6	141.8	-0.3	3.00
Japan	78.8	84.7●	+0.8	..
UK Growth Inc	97.0	104.3●	+0.1	1.03
Do Accum	140.4	150.8●	+0.3	0.71
US Emerging Co's	53.6	57.3	-0.3	0.98
Equitas Progress	193.5	208.0	-0.3	3.58
Masterfund Acc	66.2	70.4	+0.6	2.83
ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TRUSTS				
Allied Dunbar Centre Swindon SN1 1EL				
0793 610366 & 0793 28291				
First Trust	216.3	230.3●	-0.2	3.67
Growth & Income	128.6	138.0●	-0.1	3.28
Capital Trust	221.2	235.6●	-0.2	2.67
Balanced	347.9	370.5	-0.9	3.28
Accum Trust	538.5	573.6●	-0.9	3.09
American Income	32.7	34.8	+0.3	4.23
High Income Tst	242.1	257.8●	+0.3	5.03
Equity Income	137.0	145.9	+0.2	5.18
High Yield	143.5	152.8	+0.3	5.39
Govt Secs Trust	26.9	28.0●	-0.1	10.28
International	90.0	95.8	+0.8	0.86
Japan Fund	123.3	131.3	-3.6	0.01
Pacific Trust	197.8	210.6	+0.2	0.85
Amer Spcl Sits	84.5	88.7●	+0.3	1.43
Secs Of Amer Tst	204.2	217.5	+0.8	0.96
Ald Asset Value	220.8	235.1	-0.1	3.91
Gilt Growth	35.5	37.0●	-0.3	3.05
Smaller Co's	117.6	123.2	..	2.74
2nd Smaller Co's	152.0	161.9●	+0.4	2.48
Recovery Trust	78.8	85.0c	+0.1	2.20
ARBUTHNOT SECURITIES				
131, Finsbury Pavement, London EC2A 1AY				
01-628 9876 01-280 8840/1/2/3				
Capital Growth Inc	57.2	61.1	+0.2	1.69
Do Accum	63.6	68.3	+0.2	1.69
Eastern & Intl	142.7	152.6●	+2.5	0.80
Do 6% Withdrawal	74.4	79.5●	+1.3	0.80
Finance & Property	66.7	71.3●	+0.3	3.96
Gilt & Fixed Income	47.1	49.5	+0.2	8.42
Do Accum	79.5	84.0	+0.3	8.42
Equity Income	73.35	78.40	+0.57	4.90
Do Accum	173.7	185.7	+1.3	4.90
High Yield Income	73.3	78.3●	+0.1	7.01
Do Accum	195.6	209.1●	+0.3	7.01
Intl Income	84.3	90.1	+0.6	2.01
Do Accum	86.6	92.6	+0.8	2.01
Do 5% Withdrwl	78.2	83.6	+0.7	2.01
Managed Fund	65.3	68.8	+0.2	..
Preference Income	28.4	30.3●	..	10.24
Do Accum	92.9	99.3●	+0.1	10.24
Smaller Co's Accum	66.9	71.5●	..	1.57
World Penny Share	9.2	9.8	..	0.73
Portfolio Tst UK	74.4	77.1	+0.5	1.59
Portfolio Tst Japan	100.3	104.6	+1.0	0.00
Portfolio Tst US	69.8	72.3	-0.1	1.07
Portfolio Tst Europe	124.2	128.7	+0.5	0.00
Portfolio Tst HK	47.8	49.5	+1.4	0.10
BAILLIE GIFFORD				
3, Glenfinlas St, Edinburgh EH3 6YY				
031-225 2581 (Dealers 031-226 6066)				
Intl Ex (22)	454.8	475.8	..	0.68
Japan Ex (43)	432.3	450.8	+1.0	0.20
UK Ex (31)	236.5	253.8	..	1.32
P'sal Pens Intl	501.8	528.3	..	..
P'sal Pens UK	217.2	228.6	..	..
BG America	167.4	178.1●	+1.0	0.00
BG Energy	150.5	160.2	+0.6	1.26
BG Income Grwth	191.1	203.4●	+1.1	5.34
BG Japan	192.3	204.6●	+1.2	0.00
BG Technology	142.8	152.0	-0.2	0.84
BALTIC TRUST MANAGERS				
25/26 Albemarle Street, London W1X 4AD				
01-491 0295				
American	45.3	48.5	..	0.72
Australian	19.5	20.9●	..	2.59
Japan & General	112.0	119.8	..	0.08
High Income	42.2	45.2	..	6.27
International Trust	61.7	67.4	..	1.54
Income Gth Tst	44.6	47.7	..	3.93
Gilts & Fixed Inc	19.9	21.3●	..	9.18
Global Markets	33.9	36.3	..	2.00
Special Situations	37.9	40.6●	..	1.46
BARCLAYS UNICORN				
Unicorn House, 252, Romford Rd E7				
01-534 5544				
America	85.1	90.5	+0.9	1.51
Aust Accum	171.0	181.9	+1.8	0.94
Do Income	121.1	128.8	+1.3	0.94
Capital	66.1	70.3	-0.1	3.18
Exempt Trust	412.5	438.8c	+0.3	4.32
Extra Income	71.9	76.4●	+0.1	5.86
Financial	223.4	237.6	+0.9	3.15
500	257.4	273.8●	-0.3	3.28
General	133.2	141.8●	-0.1	3.37
Gilt & Fixed Inc	50.3	52.9●	-0.1	10.36
Japan & Gen Inc	171.8	182.5	+2.3	0.00
Do Acc	173.5	184.5	+2.2	0.00
Growth Accum	175.7	186.9	+0.4	2.53
Income Trust	325.8	346.5	+0.2	3.96
Leisure Trust	77.7	82.6	..	1.45
Special Situations	138.5	147.3●	-0.1	2.44
Recovery	188.4	200.4	+0.6	2.37
Trustee Fund	103.2	109.7	-0.2	3.07
Univ Tech Accum	51.8	55.1	+0.4	0.25
Do Income	51.4	54.8	+0.4	0.25
Worldwide Trust	150.8	160.4	+2.0	1.04
'B' Tst Inv Fund Acc	315.3	335.4	-0.7	3.60
Do Inc	204.3	217.3	-0.4	3.60
BARING FUND MANAGERS				
PO Box 156, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4XQ				
01-658 9002				
Australia	80.1	85.6	..	0.30
Eastern	68.9	73.6	+0.7	0.30
Equity Income	56.3	60.5	..	5.70
Europe	134.2	142.7	..	0.90
Growth & Inc	61.1	65.6	+0.1	2.30
Japan Special	109.5	116.8	..	0.30
Japan Sunrise	90.4	96.2●	+0.3	0.30
First Europe	117.7	125.2	+0.1	0.80
First Japan	86.5	92.1●	+0.6	0.30
First N Amer	48.3	52.7	+0.1	1.80
First Smaller Co's	64.0	68.8c	+0.9	2.70
BARRINGTON MANAGEMENT				
10, Fenchurch St, London EC3				
01-623 6000				
Planned Inv	128.4	136.7●	..	4.11
European Inc	99.4	104.2	-0.1	1.46
Do Accum	122.5	128.2	-0.1	1.46
General Inc	153.8	163.4	+1.6	3.09
Do Accum	209.7	222.7	+2.1	3.09
Gilt Yield Inc	104.0	107.2●	-0.3	10.08
Do Accum	171.4	176.6●	-0.3	10.08
High Yield Inc	88.1	91.7●	+0.7	5.51
Do Accum	173.8	184.9●	+1.3	5.51
Japan Income	241.9	254.5	+0.9	0.31
Do Accum	243.6	256.3	+0.9	0.31
N American Inc	47.3	50.3	+0.2	0.80
Do Accum	54.9	58.3	+0.2	0.80
Pacific Income	135.3	141.6●	+1.1	0.32
Do Accum	152.6	159.6●	+1.2	0.32
Smlr Co's Inc	79.3	84.4	+0.3	1.79
Do Accum	94.0	100.0	+0.4	1.79
BROWN SHIPLEY				
9-17, Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath				
0444 458144				
Financial	123.6	132.5●	+1.4	2.65
Smaller Co's Acc	228.5	243.5●	+1.7	..
Do Income	144.6	155.5●	+1.1	0.99
High Income	63.7	68.5●	+0.6	5.87
Income	72.3	77.7●	+0.5	4.88
Man Portfolio Inc	57.2	61.1	+0.4	3.32
Do Acc	98.5	103.2	+0.7	..
North American	58.9	61.2	+0.4	1.40
Orient	83.4	89.1	+2.5	0.24
BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT				
The Stock Exchange London EC2P 2JT				
01-588 2868				
Fellowship Inc	48.5	52.8●	..	3.00
General Inc (4)	208.7	219.2	..	3.20
Do Accum (4)	333.6	350.3	..	3.20
Income Fund (3)	100.6	105.9c	+1.3	4.75
Do Accum (3)	178.5	188.5	+2.3	4.75
Intl Inc (2)	127.9	133.8●	..	1.09
Do Accum (2)	170.1	178.0	..	1.09
Smaller Inc (5)	£11.65	12.27	..	2.86
Do Accum (5)	£12.30	13.06	..	2.86
CS FUND MANAGERS				
125, High Holborn, London WC1V 6PY				
01-242 1148				
CS Japan Fund	86.0	91.5	+0.2	0.23
CANNON FUND MANAGERS				
1, Olympic Way, Wembley, HA9 0NB				
01-902 8876				
Growth	278.7	294.4	+3.1	3.03
Income	320.9	341.4	+3.2	3.84
Far East	227.6	242.1	+4.7	0.28
North American	143.6	153.0	+0.1	0.80
Global	49.3	52.5●	+0.6	0.86
European	54.0	57.4●	-0.2	1.20
Japan	58.8	63.7●	+1.0	0.50
CAPEL (JAMES) MANAGEMENT				
PO Box 551 Bevis Marks London EC3 7JQ				
01-621 0011				
Capital	360.7	385.8●	+0.1	1.83
Income	267.8	286.5●	+1.5	5.50
North American	279.9	298.3	+2.4	0.96
CATER ALLEN				
1, King William St, EC4N 7AU				
01-623 6314				
Gilt Trust	92.9	99.7	-1.1	12.00
CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENGLAND				
2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ				
01-588 1815				
Inv Fund	400.9	●	..	4.54
Fixed Int	133.3		..	10.73
Deposit	100.0		..	9.70
CHASE MANHATTAN FUND MANAGERS				
72/73 Basinghall Street. London EC2V 5DP				
01-606 6622				
S & C Special Sits	54.3	57.9	..	0.66
CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENT FUND				
2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ				
01-588 1815				
Income	367.32	●	..	5.17
Accum	£10.712		..	..
Deposit	100.0		..	9.50
CLERICAL MEDICAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Narrow Plain, Bristol BS2 0JH				
0800 373393				
Amer Growth	22.9	24.4	+0.1	1.90
Equity High Income	41.9	44.6●	+0.1	4.80
European Growth	30.8	32.8●	+0.5	2.00
General Equity	37.7	40.2	-0.1	2.70
Gilt & Fixed Int Gth	27.2	28.7	-0.2	9.50
Gilt & Fixed Inc	22.6	23.8●	-0.1	9.50
Index Securities	24.5	25.8	..	2.40
Japan Growth	34.4	36.7	+0.5	0.90
Pedigree Gth	23.4	24.9	..	2.50
COUNTY UT MANAGERS LTD				
161, Cheapside, London EC2V 6EU				
01-726 1999				
Energy Trust	48.1	52.3	+0.7	3.89
Extra Income	160.1	170.3●	+0.8	5.82
Financial	164.9	175.4	+0.2	2.26
Gilt Strategy	55.0	58.7	-0.1	2.16
Growth Investment	277.4	295.0	+0.5	2.34
Income & Growth	39.9	42.4	+0.1	4.64
Japanese Growth	199.3	212.0●	+2.1	0.59
Nth Amer Growth	101.4	107.8	+1.3	1.55
Intl Recovery	117.2	124.8	+0.8	1.82
Smaller Co's	209.2	222.5	+0.8	2.50
Global Inc Tst	61.3	65.2●	+0.4	5.32
Special Sits Acc	285.8	304.0	+2.3	1.39
CROWN UNIT TRUST SERVICES				
Crown House, Woking GU21 1XW				
04862 5033				
High Income Trust	231.0	247.1●	+0.7	5.29
Growth Trust	214.6	229.5	-0.6	3.14
American Trust	122.3	130.8	..	0.76
CRUSADER UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
Reigate, Surrey RH2 8BL				
07372 42424				
UK Income	47.2	50.5	-0.1	4.47
UK Growth Accum	48.7	48.9	-0.1	2.43
Do Dist	48.7	48.9	-0.1	2.43
European Growth	57.9	61.6	+0.6	1.68
Pacific Growth	57.7	61.4	+0.8	..
EFM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
4, Melville Crescent, Edinburgh				
031-226 3492				
American Fund	71.7	76.7	+0.4	2.22
Capital Fund	93.1	99.6	+0.2	1.71
Growth & Inc Fund	122.3	130.8	-0.1	4.39
High Dist Fund	106.0	113.4	..	5.86
International Fund	203.2	217.4	+2.1	1.04
Resources Fund	25.0	26.7	+0.3	0.37
Smlr Jap Co's Fnd	34.8	37.2	..	..
Tokyo Fund	176.7	189.0●	+2.1	0.00
(Ex) Amer (2)	143.1	147.7●	..	3.73
(Ex) Japan (3)	114.0	117.7	-1.0	0.17
(Ex) Pacific (4)	296.5	306.2●	..	0.32
(Ex) Smaller Jap (4)	203.6	210.2c	..	0.10
Eurofund	29.1	31.1	+0.4	3.22
EAGLE STAR UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Bath Road, Cheltenham, Gloucester GL53 7LQ				
0242 521311				
UK Balanced Inc	68.4	73.0	-0.1	2.75
Do Accum	69.5	74.1	-0.1	2.77
UK Growth Accum	85.4	91.1	+0.2	1.57
UK High Inc Inc	64.9	69.2	+0.2	5.23
N American Accum	65.5	69.8	+0.1	1.56
Far Eastern Accum	108.8	116.0	+1.3	0.00
European Accum	90.4	96.4	+1.5	1.11
UK Gilt & FI Inc	50.8	54.2	-0.3	8.83
Do Accum	52.4	55.9	-0.3	8.56
ENDURANCE FUND MANAGEMENT LTD				
Adam Centre, Hexagon House, 28, Western Road, Romford RM1 3LB				
0708-66966				
Endurance	106.7	114.2●	+1.3	3.13
EQUITABLE UNITS ADMINISTRATION				
35, Fountain St, Manchester				
061-236 5685				
Equitable Pelican	72.0	76.7●	+0.5	3.28
High Income Trust	75.4	80.3	+0.5	5.05
Gilt & Fixed Int	49.1	52.2	-0.1	9.09
Tst Of Inv Trusts	61.3	65.2	+0.2	1.91
Special Sits Trust	71.0	75.6●	..	2.51
Nth Amer Trust	56.1	59.7●	+0.3	1.78
Far Eastern Trust	88.0	93.7	+1.2	0.51
Intl Growth	52.5	55.9	+0.7	1.06
EQUITY & LAW				
St. George Hse Corporation St. Coventry CV1 1QD				
0203 553231				
UK Growth Accum	146.3	155.6c	-0.4	3.74
Do Income	128.4	133.4c	-2.1	3.74
Higher Inc Accum	243.8	259.3c	+0.1	5.06
Do Income	192.7	204.9c	-3.8	5.06
Gilt/Fixed Accum	93.5	99.4	-0.3	9.27
Do Income	72.4	81.4	-0.3	9.27
Nth Amer Tst Accum	130.7	139.0c	+0.4	1.24
Far East Tst Accum	172.2	183.1c	+2.0	0.38
Euro Tst Accum	171.3	182.2●	+3.1	1.17
General Trust	232.6	247.6●	-0.2	3.84
F & C UNIT MANAGEMENT				
1, Laurence Pountney Hill, London EC4R 0BA				
01-623 4680				
US Smaller Co's	69.9	74.8●	..	0.27
Capital Fund	107.8	114.5●	+1.7	0.34
Income Fund	75.1	80.4●	+0.2	4.93
Far Eastern Fund	72.2	77.3●	+1.3	0.29
Overseas Income	72.9	78.0	+0.8	3.50
Fixed Interest	57.0	61.0	-0.1	9.00
Natural Res Fund	49.4	52.9	+0.8	3.27
European Income	86.0	91.0	+0.2	2.76
Financial Fund	..	..	..	..
FS INVESTMENT MANAGERS				
190, West George St, Glasgow G2 2PA				
041-332 3132				
Balanced Gth Inc	43.2	46.0●	..	1.80
Do Accum	44.2	47.0●	..	..
Income Gth Inc	39.4	41.9	..	5.00
Do Accum	41.3	43.9	..	..
Service Co's Inc	48.6	51.7	..	1.00
Do Accum	49.2	52.3	..	..
FIDELITY INVESTMENT SERVICES LTD				
River Walk, Tonbridge, TN9 1DY				
0732 361144				
American	100.7	108.3	+0.3	0.94
Amer Equity Income	33.5	35.8	+0.2	4.49
Amer Special Sits	51.3	54.9	+0.5	1.39
Australia	28.3	30.2●	+0.3	0.84
European	44.0	46.9	-0.1	0.00
Far East Inc	36.9	39.3	+0.2	3.89
Gilt & Fixed Int	26.6	28.4●	+0.1	8.87
Growth & Income	93.0	100.0	+0.4	4.80
Japan Special Sits	42.6	45.6	+1.0	..
Japan	146.6	156.8	+2.8	..
Managed Intl	142.5	153.3	+1.6	0.01
Max Income Equity	78.9	85.3●	+0.1	5.28
Professional Gth	32.2	34.7●	+0.2	2.43
South East Asia	37.3	39.9●	+1.4	0.30
Special Sits	160.1	173.1●	+0.6	0.81
FLEMING (ROBERT)				
8, Crosby Sq, London EC3A 6AN				
01-638 5858				
American Exempt	£336.1	345.1●	..	1.97
Japan Exempt	£458.2	472.9	..	0.00
Am Property Tst	$10000.0		..	5.00
Property Trust	£2022.0	●	..	5.80
FRAMLINGTON UNIT MANAGEMENT				
3, London Wall Bldgs, London Wall, London EC2M 5NQ				
01-628 5181				
Amer & Gen Inc	211.8	225.2●	+2.3	..
Do Accum	216.4	230.2●	+2.3	..
Amer Turnarnd Inc	204.8	217.8	+1.3	1.26
Do Accum	212.6	226.0	+1.4	1.26
Capital Tst Inc	201.4	214.2●	+0.8	2.01
Do Accum	245.4	261.0●	+0.9	2.01
Conv & Gilt Inc	84.8	90.2	+0.2	5.45
Do Accum	113.0	120.0	+0.4	5.45
Extra Inc Tst Inc	158.6	168.6	+0.2	4.82
Do Accum	172.6	183.6	..	4.82
Income Trust	113.0	120.2	+0.7	4.39
Do Accum	118.8	126.2	+0.8	4.39
Int Growth Fd Inc	157.2	167.2c	+1.5	..
Do Accum	174.6	185.6c	+1.4	..
Japan & Gen Inc	88.8	95.4	+2.6	0.07
Do Accum	88.8	95.4	+2.6	0.07
Monthly Income Fd	80.2	85.2●	+0.2	5.05
Recovery	137.0	145.6	+1.0	1.58
Do Accum	149.0	158.4	+1.0	1.58
European Inc	66.2	70.4	+0.9	0.80
Do Accum	66.2	70.4	+0.9	0.80
FRIENDS PROVIDENT MANAGERS				
Pixham End, Dorking, Surrey				
0306 885055				
FP Equity Dist	194.4	208.3	-0.4	2.84
Do Accum	324.0	343.9	-0.7	2.84
FP Fixed Int Dist	106.7	113.5	-0.5	6.23
Do Accum	121.6	129.3	-0.5	6.23
Stewardship Dist	170.0	180.4	+0.5	1.74
Do Accum	176.1	186.8	..	1.74
FUNDS IN COURT				
Public Trustee Kingsway WC2				
01-405 4300				
Capital	349.4	360.2●	..	2.78
Gross Inc	145.1	149.9	..	7.74
High Yield	212.4	222.0●	..	6.01
GT UNIT MANAGERS				
8th Floor, 8, Devonshire Sq, London EC2M 4YJ				
01-283 2575 Dealing 01-626 9431				
UK Cap Fnd Inc	98.3	103.1	-0.1	3.80
Do Accum	136.7	145.4	-0.5	3.00
Income Fund	75.8	81.1●	-0.1	6.30
Pension Exempt	175.5	183.6	-0.4	1.80
International	169.1	180.9	+0.6	0.90
US & General	54.0	57.8	-0.1	1.00
Tech & Growth	58.6	62.7	+0.4	1.30
Japan & General	250.5	268.0	..	0.10
Far East & Gen	127.1	136.0	+2.1	0.40
European Fund	273.9	293.0	-0.3	0.30
Germany Fund	78.8	81.7●	-0.2	0.60
GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS				
2, St Mary Axe, London EC3A 8BP				
01-623 1212 Dealing 01-623 5766 Dealing 01-623 5806				
American Trust	82.3	88.1	-0.2	0.30
Australian Trust	24.6	26.4	-0.1	0.25
British Tst Accum	59.6	63.8	-0.1	1.89
Do Dist	51.7	55.3	-0.1	1.89
Commodity Share	69.1	74.0	-0.2	1.14
European Trust	55.8	59.7	+0.5	0.28
Extra Income Trust	48.3	51.7	+0.2	5.17
Far Eastern Trust	163.5	174.9●	+2.5	0.00
Fixed Interest Fund	25.9	27.8●	..	10.20
Gilt Trust	24.8	25.7●	-0.1	8.89
Global Fund Accum	181.3	194.0	+0.2	0.16
Do Dist	172.7	184.8	+0.1	0.16
Gold Share Trust	17.2	18.6	+0.3	1.39
Hedged American	29.8	31.7	..	0.10
High Income Trust	139.9	149.7	+0.3	5.76
Hong Kong Trust	33.8	36.2	+0.8	0.93
Income Fund	73.7	78.9	+0.2	3.27
Insurance Agencies	£46.12	49.35	+0.02	2.19
Japan Trust	152.7	163.4	+0.8	0.00
Managed Exempt	258.6	269.4●	+0.4	2.43
Oil & Energy Trust	35.2	37.7	+0.2	1.65
Special Sits Trust	92.4	98.8●	+0.5	0.88
UK Smlr C's Rec Tst	72.0	77.1●	+0.1	0.85
GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGEMENT				
Winchester Hse, 77, London Wall, London EC2N 1DA				
01-588 5620				
Intl Growth	81.3	86.9	+0.9	1.59
American Growth	82.1	88.4	+0.5	0.94
American Inc	70.1	74.9●	+0.4	4.40
European Growth	241.5	258.3●	+0.8	0.29
Gold & Minerals	47.7	51.0	-0.4	0.89
Japan Growth	148.7	160.9	+0.4	..
GRE UNIT MANAGERS				
Royal Exchange, EC3P 3DN				
01-588 9903				
Gilt & Fixed Int	110.3	114.7	+0.1	9.76
Growth Equity	192.6	204.9	-0.7	2.12
Guardhill	265.5	278.1	-8.4	2.99
N American	139.8	148.8c	+1.4	1.40
Pacific	250.9	267.0c	+3.6	0.11
Property Share	267.0	284.1	+6.8	1.40
Smaller Companies	209.8	223.0c	-0.2	1.74
European Trust	264.1	281.0	+1.8	1.00
GUINNESS MAHON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
PO Box 442, 32 St Mary-at-Hill, London EC3P 3AJ.				
01-623 9333				
High Income	50.1	53.6●	..	6.75
N Amer Trust	102.8	109.4●	..	0.85
Recovery	198.7	211.4●	..	2.41
Gilt Trust	36.7	38.1●	..	9.56
St Vincent Inc	82.9	85.5	..	5.65
St Vincent US Gth	72.4	78.5	..	0.78
Temple Bar Sm Co's	171.5	180.9	..	3.52
Temple Bar USM	361.0	389.8●	..	3.29
Euro Gth Tst	..	..	..	..
HAMBROS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Premier UT Admin, 5, Rayleigh Rd, Brentwood Essex				
0277 217918				
Hambros Smlr Co's	130.2	138.5	+0.7	1.87
Hambros N Amer	63.1	67.1	+0.2	0.97
Hambros Jap & F E	128.0	137.2c	+1.3	0.44
Hambros Scandvn	84.7	90.1●	+1.5	0.85
Hambros European	105.9	112.7	+1.9	0.82
Hambros Canadian	48.4	51.5	..	1.26
Hambros Equity Inc	82.4	87.7	+0.4	4.95
Hambros High Inc	57.2	60.8●	+0.1	5.76
Hambros Res Assts	58.4	62.1	+0.2	2.05
Hambros Intl Sits	52.7	56.1	+0.4	0.89
HENDERSON				
Premier UT Administration 5, Rayleigh Rd, Hutton Brentwood Essex				
0277-217238				
Amer Recovery Tst	103.1	110.3	+0.9	0.69
Amer Smaller Co's	47.9	51.3c	+0.4	0.01
Australian	78.4	83.9●	+0.3	1.26
Capital Growth Inc	53.4	57.1●	-0.1	1.63
Do Accum	61.8	66.1●	-0.1	1.63
European	267.0	287.1c	+5.1	0.98
Euro Smaller Co's	104.8	112.7●	+1.3	0.09
Extra Income	156.8	167.8●	+0.8	4.82
Financial Trust	139.3	149.8	+0.3	2.88
Growth Hong Kong	61.5	65.4	+0.4	5.15
Fixed Interest Tst	48.9	52.3●	-0.1	10.12
Gilt Trust	48.7	49.1	-0.1	9.29
Global Healthcare	67.8	72.3●	+0.9	0.01
Global Resources	77.7	83.1	+0.6	1.87
Global Tech	112.1	119.9	+1.3	0.01
Global Inc & Gth	61.5	65.4	+0.4	5.15
Gold	57.3	61.8	+0.5	2.92
High Income Tst	169.7	181.6	+0.1	5.08
Hong Kong	61.5	66.2	+1.4	1.74
Income & Growth Inc	136.7	147.0	..	3.56
Do Accum	267.4	287.5	-0.1	3.56
Income Assets	101.6	108.3●	+0.2	4.17
International	176.8	189.0●	+1.9	0.58
Japan Special Sits	184.2	198.1●	-2.4	0.01
Japan Tst	172.6	185.6	+1.3	0.01
North American	138.8	148.2	+1.8	0.86
Pacific Smaller Co's	75.1	81.2●	+0.9	0.66
Pref & Gilt	44.9	47.8●	..	9.73
Recovery Tst	93.5	100.0●	+0.2	2.84
Singapore & Malay	32.7	35.0	+1.1	2.34
Smaller Co's Div	107.8	115.3	-0.1	5.04
Special Sits Inc	127.5	136.4●	..	1.58
Do Accum	180.6	193.5●	+0.1	1.58
Worldwide	359.5	378.4●	..	3.07
Euro Exempt	133.4	140.4●	+2.1	1.32
Global Tech Exempt	93.1	98.0	+1.0	0.38
High Income Exempt	119.0	125.3●	+0.4	4.99
Japan Exempt	172.0	181.1	+2.2	0.71
N Amer Exempt	85.9	90.4	+0.9	1.57
Pacific Exempt	183.9	193.6	+4.8	1.39
Smaller Co's Exempt	116.7	122.8	+0.1	2.14
HILL SAMUEL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
NLA Tower, Addiscombe Road, Croydon				
01-686 4355 01-628 8011				
British Trust Units	523.8	557.3	+7.0	3.33
Capital Trust Units	98.3	103.1	+0.1	2.74
Dollar Trust Units	181.7	193.4	+0.3	2.84
European Trust	148.9	158.3	-0.1	0.96
Far East Trust	137.9	146.8	+1.7	0.57
Financial Trust	353.2	375.8●	+1.9	2.79
Gilt Fixed Int Inc	26.9	28.0●	-0.1	10.27
Do Growth	40.4	42.8	-0.3	7.94
High Yield Trust	82.8	87.8	+0.1	5.35
Income Trust	79.9	85.1	..	4.76
International	130.1	139.5	+1.8	1.66
Japan Tech Tst	38.8	41.1	+0.8	0.06
Natural Resources	35.4	37.7●	+0.6	1.99
Security Trust	175.9	187.9●	+0.1	3.32
Smaller Cos	86.7	92.3●	-0.1	1.99
Special Sits	88.0	93.7●	+0.1	2.69
IBI FUND MANAGERS				
32, Queen Annes Gate, London SW1H 9AB				
01-222 1000				
IBI Brit & O'seas	137.7	146.5	+1.5	1.70
IBI Inc Plus	33.3	35.6●	..	10.00
IBI Capital Growth	32.8	35.2●	..	2.00
Investment Tst Fnd	70.3	74.8	+0.9	3.40
KEY FUND MANAGERS				
35, Fountain Street, Manchester				
061-236 5685 or 0800-3384				
Equity & Gen	43.6	46.8●	..	1.99
Fixed Int	61.4	65.1●	..	10.83
Higher Inc	116.0	124.0	..	5.34
Income	47.6	50.8	..	3.95
International	266.0	284.4	..	1.00
KLEINWORT BENSON				
20, Fenchurch St, London EC3				
01-623 8000				
Do Accum	64.4	68.5	+0.6	..
Fund Inv Tst Inc	20.3	21.7●	+0.1	2.15
Do Accum	26.0	27.8●	+0.1	..
High Yield Inc	125.3	133.4	+1.2	5.34
Do Accum	209.7	222.5	+1.9	..
Int Recovery Inc	102.3	109.0	+0.9	2.15
Do Accum	107.7	114.7	+0.8	..
Japan Growth Inc	107.4	113.8	+0.1	0.48
Do Accum	107.7	114.2	..	..
Smaller Co's Inc	156.9	166.3●	..	2.15
Do Accum	204.8	217.1	-0.1	..
UK Eq Growth Inc	27.5	29.3●	+0.1	0.65
Do Accum	45.4	48.2	+0.2	..
Worldwide Tech Inc	40.6	43.2●	+0.3	1.40
Do Accum	40.9	43.6●	+0.4	..
L & C UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT				
Piercy House, Copthall Ave, EC2R 7BE				
01-588 2800				
Income Fund	423.8	432.5	..	5.32
International & Gen	251.3	258.5	..	1.06
LEGAL & GENERAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
5, Rayleigh Road, Brentwood Essex				
0277 234634				
Equity Distribution	261.6	279.8●	-0.8	2.48
Do Accum	413.7	442.5●	-1.1	2.48
Do Income	58.7	62.8	+0.1	5.19
European	77.7	83.1	+1.2	1.09
Far Eastern	115.6	123.6●	+1.3	0.44
Gilt Trust	70.5	74.8●	-0.7	7.73
O'seas Equity	85.4	91.3	+0.6	0.81
Natural Res	72.0	77.0●	+0.4	1.00
N American Trust	77.5	82.9	+0.5	1.48
UK Special Sits	60.7	64.9	-0.3	1.36
LLOYDS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Registrars Dpt, Goring-By-Sea, Worthing, W Sussex				
0444 459144				
Balanced	176.2	188.4	-0.4	3.59
Do Accum	313.7	335.5	-0.8	3.59
Energy Intl	53.7	57.4	+0.6	2.58
Do Accum	60.2	64.3●	+0.6	2.58
Extra Income	154.0	164.7	..	5.31
Do Accum	277.8	297.1	-0.1	5.23
German Gth Inc	75.8	81.1c	+1.2	0.31
Do Accum	75.8	81.1c	+1.2	0.31
Income	262.1	280.3c	+0.3	4.72
Do Accum	515.9	551.7c	+0.6	4.72
Intl Tech	186.2	199.1	+0.6	0.36
Do Accum	194.6	208.0	+0.6	0.36
Japan Growth	84.9	90.7	+0.9	0.02
Do Accum	85.1	91.0	+0.9	0.02
N Amer & Gen	98.9	105.7	+0.7	1.06
Do Accum	106.8	114.2	+0.8	1.05
Pacific Basin	138.9	148.5	+1.9	0.02
Do Accum	145.0	155.0	+2.0	0.02
Smaller Cos & Rec	187.7	200.7	..	2.01
Do Accum	210.1	224.6	..	2.01
Worldwide Growth	210.1	224.7	+2.2	0.85
Do Accum	295.3	315.8	+3.0	0.85
UK Growth Fund	46.9	50.1	+0.1	2.01
LONDON & MANCHESTER				
Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS				
0392 52155				
General Trust	42.5	45.5	-0.2	3.70
Income Trust	35.3	37.8●	..	8.40
International Trust	36.8	39.4	+0.7	0.70
American	31.6	33.8	+0.3	2.00
Japan	45.3	48.5●	+1.0	0.00
Trust of Inv	29.1	31.2●	+0.1	2.40
M & G SECURITIES				
Three Quays, Tower Hill EC3R 6BQ				
01-626 4588				
Amer & Gen Inc	216.0	232.2	+1.7	1.44
Do Accum	251.8	270.7	+1.9	1.44
Amer Recovery	237.6	255.6	+0.8	0.80
Do Accum	259.0	278.7	+0.9	0.80
Am Smaller Co Acc	55.7	59.3	+0.4	0.45
Australia Acc	117.3	125.5	+1.4	0.92
Commodity Acc	229.3	245.3	+3.9	2.84
Compound Growth	402.7	434.9	+2.4	3.16
Conversion Growth	320.4	348.0	+1.8	2.94
Do Inc	185.4	198.5	+1.5	3.96
Dividend Fund Inc	405.1	429.4	+3.1	5.19
Do Accum	£11.98	12.59	+0.09	5.19
European Acc	277.1	293.7	-1.2	0.78
Extra Yield Inc	219.8	233.0●	+1.7	5.79
Do Accum	482.3	511.2●	+3.7	5.73
Far Eastern Inc	150.2	160.7●	+3.2	1.42
Do Accum	183.7	196.5●	+4.1	1.42
Fund Of Inv Inc	245.8	260.3	+0.1	2.73
Do Acc	385.9	409.1	..	2.73
General Income	613.8	650.1	+6.7	5.92
Do Accum	£13.00	13.79	+0.12	3.93
Gilt & Fixed Int	56.7	59.5	+0.2	10.08
Do Accum	87.8	91.7	+0.4	10.08
Gold Income	49.8	53.1	+1.3	2.14
Do Accum	53.0	56.7	+1.4	2.14
High Income Inc	312.1	333.9	-1.7	5.45
Do Accum	845.4	904.8	+4.8	5.45
Intl Growth Inc	779.3	828.1	+8.4	1.51
Do Accum	£12.34	13.29	+0.05	1.51
Intl Inc	62.2	65.9c	+0.7	5.42
Japan Acc	861.8	917.3	-3.2	0.07
Japan Smaller Acc	82.7	88.1	+0.4	0.07
Midland & Gen Inc	558.8	593.4c	+1.3	4.18
Do Accum	£13.82	14.76	+0.03	4.18
Recovery Fund Inc	358.5	381.8	+2.1	3.39
Do Accum	458.9	486.8	+2.9	3.39
Second Gen Inc	707.6	750.1	+1.5	3.76
Do Accum	£13.96	14.80	+0.03	3.76
Smaller Cos Inc	661.6	703.7	+1.9	2.90
Do Accum	£10.27	11.09	+0.02	2.90
Trustee Fund Inc	445.6	476.8	+1.6	4.41
Charibond Inc (2)	103.0		..	11.70
Charifund Inc (2)	368.1	392.0	..	3.85
Pension Exempt (1)	459.1	479.8	..	4.51
NAACIF Inc (3)	36.8		+0.2	8.72
Do Accum (3)	450.9		+2.5	8.72
MIM BRITANNIA UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
74/78, Finsbury Pavement, London EC2A 1JD				
01-588 2777 Dealing 01-638 0478/9				
MIM BRITANNIA UNIT TRUSTS				
UK Special Trust				
Growth Gilt	52.1	59.0●	..	0.42
Smaller Co's	134.2	143.1●	+0.4	1.36
UK Market Features	77.5	82.7●	+0.8	1.90
Do Accum	81.3	86.7●	+0.9	1.90
General Funds				
UK Growth	36.6	39.0	-0.1	2.23
Managed Inv	58.2	62.1	+0.4	2.88
High Income Funds				
Extra Inc	54.5	58.2	+0.1	7.70
Gilt	24.4	25.2	-0.2	8.29
Inc & Growth	194.5	207.6c	+0.5	4.38
Nat High Inc	187.1	199.0●	+0.7	4.86
Pref Shares	17.7	18.9●	-0.1	10.52
Sector Specialist Funds				
Commodity	152.0	162.1	+0.9	2.13
Financial Secs	46.8	50.0	+0.2	2.11
Int Leisure	14.8	15.8	+0.1	0.57
Prop Shares	62.3	66.5●	+0.2	1.11
Univ Energy	45.0	48.0	+0.2	1.54
World Tech	41.5	44.3	+0.2	0.65
Overseas Growth Fund				
Amer Growth	98.6	105.2●	+1.3	3.19
Aust Growth	78.8	83.8●	+1.1	1.47
Euro Smaller	17.2	18.3●	+0.3	0.19
Far East	57.8	61.7●	+0.9	0.73
Intl Growth	37.5	40.0c	+0.3	1.47
Intl Recovery	105.1	112.1●	+0.8	2.64
Japan Smaller Cos	15.4	16.4●	+0.2	0.00
Overseas Income Funds				
Intl High Inc	59.5	63.3c	+0.5	4.75
MEL Trusts				
Nelstar Gilt	67.9	69.6	-0.1	10.82
BRITANNIA UNIT TRUSTS				
Gold & Gen	20.5	22.1	..	1.98
Amer Smaller Co's	20.2	27.5	..	0.44
Japan Perf	80.3	86.7	+1.7	0.00
Amer Income	58.5	62.4●	+0.1	5.32
Exempt	81.7	86.5	-0.1	3.75
MIM UNIT TRUSTS				
Gold & Precious Met	60.0	64.7●	+0.9	0.54
Do Accum	62.1	67.0●	+0.9	0.54
Japan Performance	130.5	139.2	..	0.00
Do Accum	131.0	139.7	..	0.00
US Special Features	65.7	70.1	+0.5	0.00
Do Accum	65.4	70.8	+0.5	0.00
US Special Inc	58.0	62.8	+0.5	5.40
Do Accum	63.9	68.2	+0.6	5.40
Equity Exempt	394.8	413.1●	..	3.58
Do Accum	499.4	522.9●	..	3.58
European Perf Inc	91.5	97.5●	+1.6	0.91
Do Accum	91.7	97.3●	+1.5	0.91
MLA UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT				
99-100, Sandling Rd, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1XX				
0622 674751				
MLA American	23.4	24.8	+0.1	1.00
MLA General	32.6	34.7	-0.1	2.15
MLA International	56.0	61.4●	+0.6	0.85
MLA Gilt Unit	21.9	23.2●	-0.1	11.20
MLA Income	38.8	40.8●	-0.2	5.60
MLA European	32.1	34.0●	+0.2	0.73
MANULIFE MANAGEMENT				
St Georges Way, Stevenage Herts				
0438 356101				
Growth Units	73.2	77.9●	+2.0	2.97
Gilt & Fixed Int	105.5	109.2	+0.5	7.68
High Income Units	110.1	117.0	+1.4	5.73
High Yield Gilt Unt	55.5	58.5	-0.1	8.89
Intl Growth Units	137.4	146.0	-0.3	0.37
N American Units	69.9	74.3●	+3.0	0.85
Far East Units	98.9	105.1	-2.0	0.05
Smaller Cos Fund	66.7	70.9	+0.2	2.09
MENCAP UNIT TRUST				
Unicorn Hse, 252, Romford Rd, E7				
01-234 5544				
Mencap	132.4	140.8c	+0.3	4.84
MERCURY FUND MANAGERS LTD				
33, King William St, EC4R 9AS				
01-280 2860				
Amer Growth	92.5	98.4	+0.1	1.25
Do Accum	96.3	102.4	+0.1	1.25
Amer Income	50.4	53.6●	+0.3	4.89
Do Accum	53.9	57.3●	+0.3	4.89
European Growth	139.7	148.6●	..	0.72
Do Accum	144.6	153.8●	-0.1	0.72
General	234.4	249.3●	+0.8	2.33
Do Accum	394.9	409.4●	+1.6	2.33
Gilt & Fixed	81.7	82.5	-0.5	8.24
Do Accum	92.0	92.8	-0.6	8.24
Income	81.0	86.1●	-0.1	4.60
Do Accum	90.5	96.2●	..	4.60
International	268.4	283.4	+0.9	0.86
Do Accum	330.5	351.5	+1.1	0.86
Japan	185.8	198.9	+0.8	0.00
Do Accum	193.3	204.7	+0.7	0.00
Recovery	190.0	202.1c	+0.7	2.46
Do Accum	202.9	215.6c	+0.8	2.46
Exempt Dist	232.7	239.8	..	2.85
Exempt Accum	360.8	371.9	..	2.85
MIDLAND BANK GROUP UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Courtwood Hse, Silver St, Head, Sheffield S1 3RD				
0742 769842				
Capital Income	74.7	79.5	..	2.51
Do Accum	101.8	108.4	..	2.51
Commodity & Gen	128.5	137.1	+0.8	2.86
Do Accum	181.4	193.5	+1.1	2.86
Extra High Inc	57.0	60.7●	+0.1	6.84
Do Accum	67.4	71.9●	+0.1	8.04
Gilt & Fixed Inc	50.7	52.9●	-0.2	9.91
Do Accum	83.9	87.8●	-0.4	9.91
High Yield	152.8	162.7	+0.1	5.73
Do Accum	259.1	276.4	+0.2	5.73
Income	165.1	176.1	-0.2	4.00
Do Accum	273.5	291.7	-0.2	4.00
Japan & Pacific	294.5	314.1●	+4.0	0.08
Do Accum	308.9	329.5●	+4.2	0.08
N American Inc	112.3	119.7	+1.5	1.20
Do Accum	134.4	143.4	+1.8	1.20
Euro Gth Inc	132.0	140.8	+2.1	1.31
Do Accum	156.3	166.8	+2.6	1.51
Managed Portfolio	52.2	55.2	+0.3	3.67
Smaller Cos Inc	110.7	118.0	-0.2	2.40
Do Accum	116.1	126.0	-0.3	2.40
MURRAY JOHNSTONE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT				
163, Hope Street, Glasgow G2 2UH				
041 221 5252				
American	119.2	128.1●	+1.6	3.15
European	269.0	289.1●	+3.5	1.10
Smaller Cos	214.8	229.3	+0.8	1.22
NATIONAL PROVIDENT INVESTMENT MANAGERS				
48, Gracechurch St, EC3P 3HH				
01-623 4200 Ext 289				
NPI UK	193.4	205.8	-0.3	2.80
Do Accum	312.3	332.3	-0.5	2.80
NPI Overseas	620.0	659.8●	+6.1	0.90
Do Accum	759.1	807.5●	+7.4	0.90
Far East Acc	96.5	102.7	+1.4	0.10
American Acc	59.4	63.2	+0.4	1.10
European Acc	57.6	61.3●	+0.9	0.90
Worldwide Acc	54.0	57.5●	+0.4	2.40
NORWICH UT MANAGERS				
PO Box 4, Norwich NR1 3NG				
0603 622200				
Group Trust	£11.93	12.56	..	3.72
Intl Trust	135.8	143.0●	..	1.28
OPPENHEIMER TRUST MANAGEMENT				
66, Cannon Street, London EC4N 6AE				
dealings 01-236 3885/6/7/8/9/0				
International Growth	151.5	162.1	+1.6	0.78
Income & Growth	57.8	61.5●	+0.1	2.87
Worldwide Rec	91.9	98.3	+1.1	0.41
American Growth	31.5	33.7●	+0.2	..
Japan Growth	65.0	69.1	+1.1	0.00
European Growth	73.5	78.8	+1.0	1.21
UK Growth	53.0	56.7	..	0.17
Pacific Growth	48.1	51.2	+0.9	..
High Income	35.9	38.3●	+0.1	7.00
Practical Income	54.1	57.6●	+0.2	1.78
Do Accum	99.2	105.6●	+0.4	1.78
PEARL TRUST				
252, High Holborn, WC1V 7EB				
01-405 8441				
Growth Fund Inc	89.8	95.5	+0.2	2.18
Do Accum	134.7	143.3	+0.1	2.18
Income Fund	117.6	125.1●	+0.1	3.87
Intl Equity Inc	134.6	143.2●	+1.5	1.49
Do Accum	135.7	144.4●	+1.5	1.49
Unit Trust Inc	126.1	134.2	+0.1	2.91
Do Accum	218.4	232.3	..	2.91
PERPETUAL UNIT TRUST				
48, Hart Street, Henley On Thames				
0491 576868				
Intl Growth	271.9	291.8●	+4.4	0.74
Income	181.1	193.9●	+1.1	4.39
Worldwide Rec	151.5	162.6	+3.8	1.34
Amer Growth	67.2	72.2	+0.6	0.86
Intl Emerg Co's	78.5	84.3	+2.8	0.56
Far East Growth	82.4	88.5	+4.4	0.82
European Gth	62.8	67.2	+0.5	1.29
PROLIFIC UNIT TRUSTS				
222, Bishopsgate, London EC2				
01-247 7544/7				
International	119.5	128.0●	+1.6	0.82
High Income	80.4	84.7s	+0.6	4.34
Conv & Gilt	95.5	102.5●	..	5.94
Far Eastern	183.5	197.0●	+3.8	0.00
North American	125.7	134.9●	-0.8	0.65
Special Sits	66.7	71.8s	..	1.88
Technology	110.3	118.7	+0.3	0.00
Extra Income	86.1	92.2●	+1.3	4.56
PRUDENTIAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
51-59, Ilford Hill, Ilford Essex, IG1 2DL				
01-478 3377				
Holborn Equity	388.6	414.4●	-0.6	3.61
European	109.4	116.3	+1.8	0.52
Holborn Comms	53.0	56.3	+0.3	0.85
Holborn High Inc	82.8	88.5●	+0.1	6.63
Holborn Intl	102.8	109.8	+2.2	0.80
Japanese	98.2	104.0●	+1.7	0.05
N American	72.1	74.0	-0.9	0.88
Holborn Spec Sits	62.3	66.3	-0.3	2.10
Holborn UK Growth	78.5	84.5●	-0.4	2.19
Holborn Gilt Trust	177.1	185.1	-0.6	2.65
Holborn Smlr Cos	..	..	..	..
QUILTER MANAGEMENT COMPANY				
31-45, Gresham St, London EC2V 7LH				
01-600 4177				
Quadrant General	428.5	455.9●	..	2.51
Quadrant Income	233.1	248.0	..	5.29
Quadrant Intl Fd	408.4	429.9	..	1.03
Quadrant Recovery	252.8	268.0●	..	2.77
NM ROTHSCHILD ASSET MANAGEMENT				
St Swithins Lane, London EC4P 4DU				
01-280 5456				
NC Income	86.4	91.9	..	4.25
NC Japan	188.8	201.7	+3.3	0.01
NC Major UK Co	49.2	52.3	-0.1	1.94
NC Smaller Aus	60.0	63.8	+0.4	1.58
NC American Inc	272.4	289.7	+1.1	1.39
Do Accum	297.4	318.3	+1.2	1.39
NC Smaller Cos	137.7	148.4●	+0.3	2.05
NC Smlr Europ Co's	193.4	208.7	+1.6	0.40
NC Exempt Gilt	£116.0	123.0c	..	8.26
ROWAN UNIT TRUST				
33 King William Street, London EC4R 9AS				
01-636 5678				
American (4)	224.0	229.0c	..	1.95
Securities (2)	671.0	686.0	..	2.32
High Yield (5)	171.5	178.0	..	6.62
Merlin (3)	419.0	437.0	+8.0	2.21
Fixed Interest	155.5	158.5	-1.5	2.85
High Interest	111.5	112.5●	-0.5	13.80
Far East (2)	232.0	235.5	..	0.05
ROYAL LIFE FUND MANAGEMENT				
New Hall Place, Liverpool L69 3HS				
051-227 4422				
Equity Trust	80.2	84.0	-0.1	2.78
Intl Trust	75.1	79.8●	+1.0	1.36
Gilt Trust	24.6	25.8	-0.2	8.71
US Trust	31.9	33.9●	+0.2	1.79
Pacific Basin Tst	44.7	47.5●	+0.4	0.85
20 Clifton St, London EC2				
01-920 0311				
Equity Dist	111.4	118.6	+0.3	1.58
Do Accum	158.7	168.8	+0.5	1.58
High Income Trust	87.2	92.8●	-0.1	4.58
Do Accum	102.7	109.3●	-0.1	4.58
US Growth	55.8	59.2	+0.5	0.97
Do Accum	56.7	60.4	+0.5	0.97
ROYAL LONDON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Royal London House, Colchester CO1 1RA				
0206 576115				
American Growth	81.7	87.0	+0.4	0.85
Capital Accum	172.4	183.5	+1.3	2.21
Gilt Income	51.4	54.2●	..	9.54
High Income	77.0	82.0●	+0.3	5.04
Income & Growth	96.2	102.4	+0.4	4.36
Japan Growth	93.7	99.7	+1.4	0.03
Special Sits	104.8	111.5●	+0.6	1.36
SAVE & PROSPER				
28, Western Rd, Romford RM1 3LB				
(Romford) 0708-66966				
Amer Inc & Growth	67.1	71.7	+0.3	6.97
Capital Units	104.0	111.2	+0.7	2.01
Commodity	85.1	88.9●	+1.2	1.06
European Growth	118.1	126.3	+0.6	0.46
Financial Secs	98.6	105.6	+0.6	2.03
High Return Units	178.1	190.4	+0.6	5.07
High Yield Units	158.4	169.4●	+0.3	4.80
Income Units	90.0	96.2	..	8.35
Investment Trust	87.0	93.0c	+0.2	2.65
Japan Growth	101.1	108.1●	+0.1	0.00
Japan Smaller Cos	115.5	123.5	+0.8	0.00
Masterfund	29.8	31.6	+0.1	2.89
Scotbits	129.4	138.3	+0.8	2.46
Scotshares	150.8	161.2	+0.6	4.23
Scotyields	147.4	157.6●	+0.5	4.74
Select International	81.8	87.2c	+0.7	1.48
Smaller Co's Inc	151.8	162.3●	..	4.87
Special Situations	91.8	97.9	+0.5	2.02
UK Equity	174.8	186.7	+0.1	2.74
US Growth	70.9	75.8	+0.6	1.90
Universal Growth	92.4	98.6c	+0.9	1.10
SCHRODER UNIT TRUST				
Enterprise House, Portsmouth				
0705 827733				
American Acc	130.3	139.3	+1.2	0.73
Australia Acc	82.8	88.3●	+0.2	0.86
European Inc	128.3	137.2●	+1.2	0.82
Do Accum	132.4	141.5●	+1.2	0.82
Gilt & Fixed Inc	51.4	54.2●	+0.1	8.96
Gold Fund Inc	43.8	46.6●	+0.6	1.81
Do Accum	46.0	49.1●	+0.6	1.81
Income	172.4	184.3	+0.5	5.18
Intl Income	116.5	124.8	+0.2	0.45
Do Accum	160.6	171.9	+0.4	0.45
Jap Smlr Co's Ac	135.4	144.8	+0.7	0.00
Sing & Malay Acc	84.0	89.4	+2.2	0.83
Smaller Co Inc Acc	133.2	142.4	+0.4	1.19
Special Sits Inc	102.8	108.7●	+0.4	0.98
Do Accum	107.0	114.4●	+0.4	0.98
Tokyo Fund Inc	221.8	237.2●	-0.8	0.00
Do Accum	224.0	239.6●	-0.9	0.00
US Smaller Co's Ac	51.3	54.8	+0.1	0.90
UK Equity Inc	100.7	107.6	+0.3	3.36
Do Accum	158.3	167.1	+0.3	3.36
Far East Gth Accum	58.0	62.0●	+0.7	0.50
Extra Inc	62.2	66.5●	+0.2	7.36
SCIMITAR ASSET MANAGEMENT				
33-36 Gracechurch St London EC3V 0AX				
01-623 3776/8711				
UK Equity Inc	23.4	24.9●	..	5.17
Do Acc	23.6	25.2●	..	5.17
Euro Tst Inc	28.5	30.5	..	1.00
Do Acc	28.8	30.8	..	1.00
Global Gth Inc	28.3	30.2	..	1.00
Do Acc	28.4	30.3	..	1.00
Managed Exempt	117.8	122.7	..	4.00
Pacific Basin	23.5	25.0	..	1.00
SCOTTISH EQUITABLE				
28, St Andrews Sq, Edinburgh				
031-556 9101				
Intl Income Units	151.4	161.1●	..	3.52
Do Accum	228.5	243.1●	..	3.52
SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS				
19, St Andrews Sq, Edinburgh				
031 225 2211				
UK Equity	177.1	189.5●	-0.6	1.85
American	147.8	157.9●	+1.2	1.30
Pacific	197.4	211.2●	+3.4	0.06
European	259.8	277.7●	+3.9	0.52
SCOTTISH MUTUAL INVESTMENT MANAGERS				
109, Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5HN				
041-248 6100				
UK Equity	164.7	175.3●	+0.8	2.62
Gilt & Fixed	108.3	113.3●	-0.2	8.86
UK Smlr Co's Eq	145.2	154.5●	+0.6	2.39
European	218.3	232.3●	+2.2	0.92
N American	112.4	119.6●	+1.8	1.42
Pacific	190.5	202.7●	+5.6	0.47
SCOTTISH UNIT TRUST				
29, Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh				
031-226 4372				
Pacific	69.5	74.4	+1.2	0.00
World Growth	38.3	41.0	+0.3	0.14
N American	31.7	34.0	+0.3	0.03
Income Fund	44.5	47.6	+0.2	5.01
European	46.8	50.1	..	0.81
N Amer Inc	26.1	28.0●	+0.2	1.92
UK Growth	30.0	32.1●	+0.2	2.10
Extra Inc	31.1	33.3●	+0.2	5.75
SCOTTISH WIDOWS				
PO Box 902, Edinburgh EH16 5BU				
031-655 6000				
Peg Eq Inc	225.0	239.5●	..	3.19
Do Accum	262.8	279.7●	..	3.19
SENTINEL FUNDS MANAGEMENT				
30, City Rd, London EC1Y 2AY				
01-638 6011				
Amer Tech & Gen	96.8	103.6●	..	0.24
Pacific	197.7	211.5	..	0.00
Sec Income Fnd	164.2	175.7c	..	4.16
Special Situations	198.0	211.9	..	1.49
Intl Growth	37.4	40.0	..	0.16
American Majors	68.1	72.9	..	0.31
Small Co's	39.1	41.9●	..	1.67
Japan Tech & Gen	109.8	117.5	..	0.00
International Income	56.0	59.9c	..	5.83
Exempt	537.3	574.9●	..	2.25
UK General	33.1	35.4	..	1.81
Euro Growth	40.5	43.3	..	0.32
Euro Income	46.2	49.4●	..	4.00
STANDARD LIFE				
3, George St, Edinburgh EH2 2XZ				
031 225 2552				
Income Units	24.2	25.9●	..	2.71
Do Accum Units	27.3	29.3●	..	2.71
STEWART, IVORY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
45, Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh				
031-226 3271				
American Fund	222.8	237.4	+2.6	2.33
Do Accum	269.3	286.8	+2.9	2.33
Do Withdrawal	156.4	166.7	+1.8	2.33
Australian Fund	127.2	135.5	+1.4	0.97
Do Accum	129.3	137.8	+1.4	0.97
British Fund	575.3	612.8●	+1.0	4.37
Do Accum	788.7	840.1●	+1.3	4.37
European Fund	325.4	346.6●	+8.2	0.78
Do Accum	344.5	367.0●	+8.4	0.78
Japan Fund	65.2	69.4s	+0.5	0.22
Do Accum	65.5	69.7s	+0.5	0.22
Saints PPP	166.9	175.7	..	..
SUN ALLIANCE				
Sun Alliance Hse, Horsham, Sussex				
0403 56293				
Equity Trust Acc	380.7	405.0	-0.6	2.65
N Am Trust Acc	58.2	61.9	+0.4	1.49
Far East Trust Acc	92.3	98.2	+2.4	0.59
Worldwide Bond	52.1	55.4	+0.4	8.44
SUN LIFE OF CANADA				
2,3,4, Cockspur Street, London SW1Y 5BH				
Dealing no:01-930 2662				
UK Income	23.4	25.0	..	5.00
Do Growth	23.1	24.7	-0.1	3.06
TSB UNIT TRUSTS LTD				
Keens House, Andover, Hants. SP10 1PG				
0264 56789 Dealings: 0264 63432/3/4				
American Inc	111.5	118.7	..	1.46
Do Accum	117.3	124.8	..	1.46
Extra Income Inc	113.1	120.4●	..	5.80
Do Accum	135.7	144.4●	..	5.80
General Unit Inc	155.9	165.9	..	2.90
Do Accum	259.8	273.2	..	2.90
Gilt & Fixed Inc	46.8	48.8	..	8.88
Do Accum	61.3	63.8	..	8.88
Income	212.6	226.2	..	4.60
Accum	331.5	352.8	..	4.60
Pacific Inc	173.9	185.1	..	0.41
Do Accum	179.6	191.1	..	0.41
Intl Inc	329.4	350.4c	..	1.18
Do Accum	407.4	433.4c	..	1.18
Selected Opps Inc	63.3	67.4●	..	1.79
Do Accum	70.0	74.5●	..	1.79
Natural Res	52.8	56.0●	..	2.08
Do Accum	54.5	58.0●	..	2.08
TARGET TRUST MANAGERS				
Target House, Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury Bucks				
0296 5941				
Amer Eagle	72.8	77.3	+0.5	0.09
Australian	21.6	23.1	-0.1	0.10
Commodity	77.5	82.6	+0.1	1.09
Energy	29.0	31.0	..	1.91
Equity	120.9	128.6	..	3.79
European Spec Sits	113.8	121.9	+1.5	0.57
Extra Income	111.4	119.9●	+0.2	5.94
Financial	253.3	273.8●	+0.9	1.92
Gilt Income	96.9	101.8●	-0.6	8.89
Gold Income	75.4	80.4●	+1.1	0.82
Do Accum	138.0	147.3c	+2.0	0.82
Income	79.7	85.0●	+0.1	4.70
Japan	105.1	111.5●	+0.1	0.10
Malay & Singapore	24.9	26.5	..	0.82
Pacific Inc	104.6	111.1●	+1.8	0.86
Do Reinvest	130.4	138.6●	+2.5	0.86
Pref Share Fd	17.1	18.4●	-0.1	9.21
UK Capital	69.7	74.5	+0.2	1.37
Special Sits	83.8	89.7●	+0.2	0.70
Technology	44.6	47.4	+0.6	0.19
World Income	61.0	65.1●	+0.6	4.36
Worldwide Capital	144.2	154.9	+1.2	1.18
Equity Ex (5)	82.8	86.5	..	2.09
Do Accum (5)	156.9	169.4	..	2.09
THORNTON UNIT MANAGERS LTD				
Park House 16 Finsbury Circus London EC2M 7DJ				
01-374 4594				
Far East & Gen	61.6	65.8	+1.1	0.78
Japan & Gen	53.0	57.3	+0.3	0.88
Nth Amer & Gen	49.1	52.8	-0.5	0.96
Oriental Inc				
Pacific Tech	51.7	55.8	+0.8	0.90
Tiger	68.8	72.0	+1.1	0.70
UK & Gen	40.8	44.1	..	2.30
3i UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
2, St Mary Axe, London EC3A 8BP				
01 928-3356				
Smaller Co's	62.4	66.3	+0.2	0.00
TOUCHE REMNANT				
Mermaid House, 2, Puddle Dock, London EC4V 3AT				
01-248 1250				
American Growth	39.7	42.3●	+0.4	0.87
General Growth	60.1	63.9	-0.3	2.01
Global Tech	43.3	46.4	+0.1	0.10
Income Growth	59.4	63.2	..	4.32
Income Monthly	46.5	49.8●	..	6.34
Japan Growth	48.7	52.1	+0.5	0.12
Man Equity Inc	24.0	25.4	-0.1	2.88
Do Accum	24.0	25.6	-0.1	2.88
O'seas Growth	49.8	53.3	+0.5	0.67
Smaller Cos	61.7	65.7●	+0.1	1.86
Special Opps	73.0	78.1●	+0.2	1.41
TYNDALL MANAGERS				
18, Canynge Rd, Bristol				
0272 732241				
Australian	63.3	67.7	+0.6	1.75
Do Acc	65.9	70.5	+0.7	1.75
Capital	308.5	328.4●	+0.3	3.59
Do Accum	553.4	589.4●	+0.6	3.59
Exempt	292.4	308.7●	+0.2	5.66
Do Accum	650.4	686.6●	+0.7	5.66
Far Eastern	198.8	210.8●	+2.1	0.12
Do Accum	201.8	213.9●	+2.3	0.12
Fin & Prop	54.4	57.9	+0.1	3.24
Do Accum	66.9	71.5	+0.1	3.24
Gilt Capital	113.1	117.0●	-0.5	7.84
Do Accum	136.2	139.9●	-0.6	7.84
Gilt Income	98.3	102.2●	-0.2	9.97
Do Accum	183.6	189.6●	-0.4	9.97
High Yield	82.8	86.7c	-1.2	6.23
Do Accum	118.6	124.4c	-0.1	6.23
Income	224.7	239.3●	+0.3	5.24
Do Accum	701.9	747.5●	+1.2	5.24
Intl Earnings	154.7	164.7●	-0.4	2.79
UK PROVIDENT UT MANAGERS				
UK House, Castle St, Salisbury SP1 3SH				
0722 336242				
UK Equity	115.6	122.7	..	..
Pacific Basin	171.7	182.0	+2.1	..
N Amer	121.2	128.8	+0.8	..
VANGUARD TRUST				
65 Holborn Viaduct EC1A 2EU				
General Enquiries 01-236 3053 Dealing Line 01-236 3488				
Growth Inc	178.0	189.4●	..	2.79
Do Accum	262.5	279.3●	..	2.79
High Yield	194.3	206.8	..	5.39
Do Accum	198.7	211.4	..	5.39
Special Sits	39.0	41.5	..	2.85
Do Accum	39.2	41.8	..	2.85
Trustee	130.4	138.8●	..	4.22
Do Accum	200.3	213.1	..	4.22
Amer & Gen	80.3	84.2●	..	2.07
Do Accum	80.5	84.4	..	2.07
Master Portfolio	£81.30	82.87c	..	2.53
Do Accum	£81.55	83.13	..	2.53
Abing Rdn Asts (5)	114.9	122.3●	..	2.87
Do Accum	115.7	123.1	..	2.87
Far East & Gen Inc	54.8	58.4	..	0.00
Do Accum	54.8	58.4	..	0.00
Euro Fund Inc	48.1	51.2	..	..
Do Acc	48.1	51.2	..	..
WARDLEY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Wardley House, 7, Devonshire Sq, London EC2				
01-929 1532				
American Trust	64.6	69.4	+0.2	1.40
Far East & Gen	111.4	118.6●	+2.0	0.40
Intl Growth	74.4	79.2	+1.0	0.40
Income Trust	82.4	88.0●	-0.4	5.20
Japan Growth	131.4	141.3●	+0.1	0.10
Small Companies	105.5	113.6	+0.7	2.00
Technology	34.9	37.5●	+0.1	0.10
Australia	45.7	49.2	+0.3	1.30
UK Trust	131.1	139.5	-0.4	2.30
European Growth	59.6	63.7	+0.7	0.20
Hong Kong	27.8	29.4	+0.5	1.40
WAVERLEY ASSET MANAGEMENT				
13, Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh				
031-225 1551				
Australian Gold	27.4	29.2	+0.2	0.15
Pacific Basin	21.6	23.0	-0.1	0.20
Canadian Bal Gth	58.3	62.3●	+0.5	0.97
Binnie Mae Fnd	$102.2	108.4●	-0.2	7.00
WHITTINGDALE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
2 Honey La EC2 8BT				
01-606 9085/6				
Sht Dtd Gilt Fund	87.8	88.9	..	8.09
US Govt Bond Fd	£51.4	51.7	+0.1	..
WINDSOR TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
Windsor House, 83, Kingsway, London WC2B 6SD				
01-405 8331				
Conv & Equity	48.0	51.1●	..	7.69
Income	53.5	56.8●	..	5.71
Growth	51.7	55.0●	..	2.25

● Ex dividend. c Cum dividend. k Cum stock split. s Ex stock split. m Cum all (any two or more of above). a Ex all (any two or more of above). Dealing or valuation days: (1) Monday. (2) Tuesday. (3) Wednesday. (4) Thursday. (5) Friday. (20) 25th of month. (21) 2nd Thursday of month. (22) 1st and 3rd Wednesday of month. (23) 20th of month. (24) 3rd Tuesday of month. (25) 1st and 3rd Thursday of month. (26) 4th Tuesday of month. (27) 1st Wednesday of month. (28) Last Thursday of month. (29) 3rd working day of month. (30) 16th of month. (31) 1st working day of month. (32) 20th of month. (33) 1st day of February, May, August, November. (34) Last working day of month. (35) 15th of month. (36) 14th of month. (37) 21st of month. (38) 3rd Wednesday of month. (39) 2nd Wednesday of month. (40) Valued monthly. (41) Last Thursday of Stock Exchange account. (42) Last day of month. (43) 2nd and 4th Wednesday of month. (44) Quarterly. (45) 6th of month. (46) 2nd Tuesday of month.

UNLISTED SECURITIES

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
15	8½	A & M Gp	9	..	0.6	6.7	12.9
60	45	ATA Selection	52	..	2.1	4.0	13.9
130	93	Abbeycrest	116	..	3.6	3.1	18.5
69	33	Aberdeen Stk Hse	51	..	3.1	6.1	14.2
143	45	Access Satellite		..	4.6f	..	..
138	32	Acorn Comp	42	..	..	..	2.9
21	8½	Acsis Jewellery	17	+2	..	..	9.1
22	10½	Adam Leisure	18	..	..	..	2.0
123	96	Airspring	98	..	7.7	8.0	..
297	234	Alida	250	..	9.6	3.8	14.1
191	152	Anglia Secure Hms	191	+1	2.3	1.2	26.5
121	99	Amler	108	..	..	..	..
165	131	Appletree	158	..	2.9	1.8	15.2
290	210	App Holographics	255	+2	..	..	..
250	165	Do Wrnts	205	..	..	..	..
355	163	Aspen Comms	313	..	4.4	1.4	32.6
180	110	Aspinall	114	+4	8.6	7.5	6.1
620	443	Asprey	543	..	14.3	2.6	15.6
40	16	Assoc Energy	32	..	..	..	7.8
233	174	ASD	175	● ..	11.4	6.5	7.6
129	122	Atlas Equipment	128	..	7.0	5.5	11.6
95	61	Automagic	83	●-3	8.6	10.1	15.0
70	67	BBB Design	68	..	1.4	2.1	16.3
228	155	BPP	198	● ..	7.1	3.6	18.2
85	68	BTS Grp	80	..	5.7	7.1	9.4
123	58	Bedford (William)	88	● ..	6.4	7.3	8.2
28	12	Bennett & Fountain	24	..	0.7	2.9	19.5
35	31	Bensons Crisps	42	..	..	..	11.8
17½	7¼	Berkeley & Hay	15½	-½	..	..	28.7
91	26	Berkeley Exp	30	-2	..	..	4.2
245	131	Berkeley Gp	218	..	3.0	1.4	24.0
30	10	Bio Isolates	11	+1	..	..	..
34	18	Biomechanics	25	..	..	..	..
44	40	Boal	40	..	1.8	4.5	10.0
135	88	Blanchards	110	●-2	6.4	5.8	12.0
235	165	Bluebird Toys	235	..	5.0	2.1	19.2
160	133	Borland	131	..	..	..	..
37	19	Brawmaker	20	..	1.1	5.5	10.5
213	85	Brault	93	-4	6.0	6.5	6.5
230	125	Brint	200	..	..	..	..
130	75	Britannia Sec	123	..	2.1b	1.7	20.0
250	155	Br Bloodstock	155	..	12.6	8.1	7.3
59	50	Br Island	57	..	4.0	7.0	10.4
59	49	Broad St	51	..	1.6	3.1	..
99	48	Broad St	51	..	1.6b	3.1	..
359	178	Brookmount	283	..	5.0	1.8	15.4
165	115	Brown (Charles)	163	-3	4.3	2.6	17.0
345	195	Bryant (Derek)	225	..	11.6b	5.2	8.0
9	2	Bula Resources	2½	..	..	..	..
103	73	CCA Galleries	93	+2	3.4	3.7	13.8
180	125	CML Micro	147	..	2.8	1.8	16.1
38	5¼	CPS Comp	6¼	..	1.4	22.4	3.3
42	25	CPU Comp	30	-1	.. ●	..	16.7
195	130	CVD	150	●+5	..	..	..
320	85	Caledonian Oil	90	..	..	..	..
63	62	Camotech	65	..	2.9	4.5	13.3
151	89	Cannon Street Inv	150	+1	3.6	2.4	22.3
350	213	Central TV	345	● ..	20.0	5.8	13.5
120	64	Chancery Secs	115	..	3.1	2.7	13.9
158	83	Checkpoint Europe	158	+10	..	..	13.9
132	125	Chelsea Man	128	-1	3.1	2.5	20.7
18	6½	Chem Methods	7	..	3.0	42.9	..
253	120	Cheshire W	212	..	5.2	2.5	22.8
17	8½	Cifer	10	..	.. ●	..	1.5
40	25	Citysivion	31	-3	..	..	..
633	475	Citysivion 7%	570	-10	..	..	..
115	70	Clarmont	71	..	1.5	2.1	8.2
173	152	Clarke Hooper	158	..	3.3	2.1	21.7
26	11	Clogau Gold	25½	-½	..	..	..
55	25	Cliff Oil Hdgs	44	-2	..	..	..
113	87	Coated Electrodes	105	..	5.6	5.3	12.2
95	53	Cobra Emerald	65	..	..	..	..
130	21	Colne	124	+1	3.9	3.1	13.6
106	21	Colorgen Inc	33	-2	..	..	..
175	110	Comp Financial	130	..	3.1	2.1	27.6
59	30	Compsoft	35	..	..	..	5.8
130	74	Consultants	118	-3	1.8	1.5	23.0
60	38	Cons Tam Invs	43	-2	7.1e	16.5	28.9
343	208	Conti Microwave	275	● ..	6.4	2.3	15.6
108	85	Cowells	95	..	3.7	3.9	13.2
143	53	CPM	93	..	2.5	2.7	13.8
415	308	Cramphorn	338	+10	7.4	2.2	22.9
78	48	Cranbrook	53	..	0.7e	1.3	14.0
114	95	Cranswick	108	..	7.6	7.2	9.2
138	75	Craton Lodge	83	..	2.8	3.4	17.5
198	186	Creighton Labs	193	-2	5.2	2.7	20.5
103	58	Crown TV Prods	70	-3	..	..	..
111	75	Crusts	110	..	1.5	1.4	12.2
73	43	DBE Tech	46	..	..	..	42.6
183	116	DDT	173	..	1.7	1.0	18.0
140	78	DJ Sec Alarms	104	..	2.1	2.0	6.5
91	63	Datron	68	● ..	1.4	2.1	11.9
218	190	Davies (DY)	193	-2	4.9	2.5	21.2
64	55	Dean & Bowes	74	-1	3.6	4.9	18.0
33	20	De Brett (Andre)	24½	..	0.4	1.6	12.3
145	133	Dealtor	133	● ..	5.7	4.3	..
57	40	Delmar	45	-1	2.9	6.4	8.9
138	105	Dencora	115	+2	2.9	2.5	15.9
115	70	Densmans Elec	80	..	5.4	6.8	6.1
166	68	Dewey Warren	70	..	10.7e	15.3	4.7
235	130	Dalene	235	● ..	7.0	3.0	12.8
450	345	Druck	428	..	5.6	1.3	28.6
24½	19½	Dunton	17	..	0.6	3.5	13.1
58	39	Eadie	54	..	2.5	4.6	16.7
148	102	Ealing Elect Optics	122	+8	3.1	2.5	21.2
32½	9	Ecobric	30	..	0.4	1.3	22.4
325	238	Edin Fund	240	..	9.3	3.9	14.3
43	22	Edin Oil & Gas	24	..	.. ●	..	60.0
384	244	Eldridge Pope 'A'	384	..	6.6	2.5	17.7
148	108	Electron House	123	●	4.9	4.0	16.1
100	81	Electronic Data P	80	..	2.3	2.9	11.7
33	24	Ennex	24	..	..	..	..
15	7	Entertainment Prod	13	..	1.4	10.8	5.8
215	122	Equiou	135	..	7.1	5.3	11.3
112	103	Eve Construction	106	..	6.4	6.0	12.0
310	138	FII	300	..	..	..	..
248	151	FKB Gp	235	..	3.6	1.5	25.2
161	140	F & H Group	143	+3	..	..	..
90	51	Feedback	86	+15	3.9	5.7	24.5
42	18	Fergebrook	21	..	1.7	8.1	1.7
133	123	Fields (Mrs)	128	●-2	..	..	..
73	63	Fletcher Dennys	67	..	3.6	5.4	15.8
65	31	Flextech	50	..	..	..	8.8
208	100	Flogas	192	●+4	256	..	..
60	30	Floyd Oil	36	+2	..	..	14.8
88	63	Ford & Weston	83	-1	4.3	5.2	10.0
220	130	French Conn	148	+5	7.5	5.1	9.7
112	65	Freshbake	107	-3	2.7	2.5	17.9
338	210	Fuller Smith 'A'	331	..	5.9	1.8	17.2
148	94	Gabbicci	145	● ..	4.3	3.0	17.4
150	93	Gee (Cecil)	93	..	3.7	4.0	..
47	35	Geerfioren	44	..	2.4	5.5	13.3
85	72	Gibbon Lyons	85	+2	5.0	5.9	14.7
185	100	Gibbs Mew	155	..	5.1	3.3	17.0
64½	11	Gilbert House	64½	+½	..	..	..
60	32	Global Gp	44	..	3.2	7.3	10.7
186	78	Godwin Warren	81	..	3.1	3.8	11.5
143	68	Goodhead Print	120	r-5	4.3	3.6	13.4
128	95	Goold (Laurence)	108	..	5.3	4.9	8.7
91	58	Granyte Surface	65	..	3.0	4.6	11.3
158	145	Great Southern	158	+5	7.4	4.7	13.5
140	118	Green (Ernest)	138	..	4.9	3.6	13.4
38	19	Greenwich Cable	25	-2	..	..	..
115	81½	Grosvenor Sq	88	● ..	8.6	9.8	7.0
190	160	Guernsey Atlantic	190	..	3.5	1.8	55.9
98	58	Hampden Homecare	85	-3	2.1	2.5	13.7
235	133	Harvey & Thomp	235	●+10	8.6	3.7	15.6
255	198	Havelock Europe	233	..	5.7	2.4	21.8
48	26	Health Care	40	-1	1.1	2.8	15.9
480	383½	Heavitree	430	..	12.3	2.9	16.9
390	250½	Do 'A' LV	370	..	12.3	3.3	14.5
150	143½	Henderson Prime	150	..	..	..	..
415	165	High-Point	170	+5	6.1	3.6	10.8
205	45	Highland Part	45	..	..	..	..
91	85	Hille Ergonom	90	..	2.9	3.2	14.4
30½	7	Hobson	26	-½	..	..	..
120	105	Hodgson	118	..	3.0	2.5	19.7
133	105	Holden Hydroman	123	-2	4.6	3.7	15.8
158	112	Holmes Protection	113	..	..	..	..
28	22	Hughes Food	24	..	0.7	2.9	17.3
14	8½	Humbrad Elec	9	+½	0.4	4.4	9.0
188	115	Hunter Saphir	163	-2	3.6	2.2	21.3
255	188	Huntleigh Tech	200	● ..	2.1	1.1	24.1
230	165	INSTEM	175	+5	3.6	2.1	15.0
31	13	Imtec	13	..	3.0	23.1	1.6
115	44	Ind Scot Energy	65	..	..	..	10.2
103	66	InfraRed	66	-2	..	..	..
353	190	Intereurope Tech	213	● ..	8.3	3.9	10.7
32	21	Israel (Jack L)	22½	-½	0.7	3.1	17.4
350	233	JS Pathology	325	..	3.3	1.0	28.8
190	116	Jacques Vert	183	-2	7.9	4.3	16.2
28	2	Jebsens	8	..	.. ●	..	0.3
148	103	Johnson & Jorg	103	●-2	6.0	5.8	11.7
120	73	Johnstones Paints	100	● ..	5.1b	5.1	11.1
79	46	Just Rubber	60	..	2.5	4.2	8.9
339	253	KLP	285	..	4.7	1.6	16.6
82	67	Kent (John)	75	..	2.3	3.1	18.4
320	220	Kenyon Secs	320	..	14.9	4.7	15.5
83	53	Kewill Systems	55	..	1.7	3.1	8.1
113	50	Klark-Teknik	88	-2	1.4b	2.1	12.4
113	67	LPA Ind	75	..	3.9	5.2	7.4
68	37	Laidlaw	65	● ..	4.1	6.3	8.1
125	70	Laidlaw Thomson	108	● ..	5.6	5.2	13.0
32	32	Leisure Inv	51	..	..	..	25.4
118	100	Lewmar	105	..	3.8	3.6	12.9
175	148	Local Lon Gp	175	+5	5.0	2.9	18.7
91	72	Loops Care	86	..	2.9	3.4	17.9
140	96	Lon & Clydeside	113	..	8.0	7.1	10.2
198	133	Lorin Elect	176	..	3.6	2.0	15.4
82	17	Lysander Pet	21	..	..	..	38.3
85	77	MS Cash & Carry	83	● ..	5.1	5.5	..
280	160	MMT Comp	280	+2	6.6	2.5	21.8
160	101	McLaughlin & Har	120	● ..	10.0	8.3	8.9
125	45	Magnetic Materials	63	● ..	2.7	4.3	8.2
94	54	Mainmet	94	● ..	1.4	1.5	29.5
95	83	Marine Dev	83	..	..	..	..
176	92	Martin (Ronald)	169	..	4.7	2.9	21.8
35	9	Masterprint	17	..	..	..	..
118	101	Mayfair City	115	..	4.3	3.7	24.4
300	185	Meadow Farm	285	-5	5.4	1.9	24.3
220	123	Media Tech	135	●-1	4.0	3.0	9.8
98	73	Mellerware	84	●-1	4.4	5.2	19.7
19	9	Memory Comp	15	..	..	..	2.5
75	13	Memcom Intl Hldgs	28	-2	5.0	17.9	1.8
165	135	Mentmore-Swain	185	+12	3.6	2.2	17.5
380	350	Merrydown Wine	360	● ..	8.6	2.4	19.5
138	95	Metal Bulletin	115	● ..	6.3	5.5	16.2
102	71	Metsec	82	..	3.7	4.5	12.0
85	50	Michael (John)	71	-4	1.7	2.4	17.2
780	380	Microfilm	603	..	2.9	0.5	63.7
220	100	Microleisure	100	..	5.7	5.7	6.2
47	22	Micronvec	38	+2	1.8	4.7	16.7
385	231	Midsummer Inns	395	+25	3.6	0.9	29.3
148	142	Miller & Santhouse	148	-4	3.2	2.2	27.7
193	165	Millward Brown	170	..	3.6	2.1	37.0
220	130	Miss World	203	●-2	7.9	3.9	10.7
47	13	Mnemos					
158	108	Moorgate Gp	123	..	2.0	1.6	22.8
124	82	Monks & Crane	114	..	3.9	3.4	14.3
158	123	Monotype	123	-1	..	..	..
30	23	Morey (Rh)	44	-1	2.1	4.8	21.9
23½	15½	Morris (William)	18½	-½	..	..	7.4
115	83	Moss Advertising	70	..	3.5	5.0	8.4
192	125	Mosterfin	159	-6	4.3	2.7	13.8
387	237	NMW Comp	263	..	8.6	3.3	14.3
21	6	New Ct Nat Res	7	r-1	..	..	1.8
5½	0½	Do Wrnts	1	..	..	..	..
20	14	New England Props	15	..	..	..	7.7
95	75	Do 10%	£80	..	0	12.5	..
77	73	Newage Trans	75	..	5.0	6.6	8.3
21	10	Nimslo	14	+2	..	..	..
150	91	Norank	148	-2	4.3	2.9	18.9
190	45	Norbain	48	+3	1.0	2.1	5.2
185	83	Noracot Hotels	140	-3	3.4	2.4	15.4
46	14	Nth Sea & Gen	21	..	..	..	4.2
75	53	Oilfield Inspec	58	..	2.9e	7.5	5.7
37	22	Optometrics	34	-1	..	..	..
293	180	Osborne & Little	285	..	4.3	1.5	27.2
35¾	23	Owners Abroad	35¼	..	2.1	6.0	10.0
143	85	PCT	118	● ..	4.6	3.9	13.5
255	166	Pacer Systems	170	..	..	..	..
79	53	Pacific Sales	53	● ..	4.3	8.1	11.3
158	130	Panthorne	148	..	5.3	3.6	13.5
460	82	Parkfield Gp	181	● ..	5.1	2.8	10.0
82	10	Paul M Late	54	..	.. ●	..	23.8
53	17	Pavion	18	..	..	..	3.2
165	80	Pepe Group	183	+3	4.7	2.9	15.7
148	83	Pericom	120	..	3.3b	2.8	[illegible]
39	28	Perkins (J)	28	..	1.7	6.1	8.8
110	103	Personal Computer	105	..	4.3	4.1	10.7
200	128	Peters (Michael)	148	..	3.7	2.5	22.7
27	12	Petrogen	20	..	..	..	..
34	28	Piccadilly Radio	28	..	2.9	10.4	13.7
116	24	Pict Pet	82	..	..	..	4.4
78	31	Pineapple	76	+6	..	..	..
50	25	Plasmec	46	..	1.0	2.1	5.9
176	115	Plaxon	145	+2	4.4	3.0	10.5
245	80	Polytech Marine	95	..	5.4	5.7	13.6
158	76	Powerline	83	●-2	2.9	3.5	11.1
143	93	Prontaprint	98	..	3.6	3.9	10.7
6¾	2	Property Tst 10p	2006¾	..	..	..	..
5½	2	Do 8p	2006½	..	..	..	..
308	158	Questel	203	-2	6.3	3.1	13.7
91	60	Rademal	60	..	..	..	..
43	18	Radio City 'A'	34	+2	.. ●	..	8.6
53	33	Radio Clyde	53	..	4.6	8.7	17.2
123	85	Radius	93	..	1.4	1.5	14.0
40	12	Ramco Oil	12	..	.. ●	..	2.9
105	88	Ramus	88	..	7.5	8.5	14.8
62	22	Randsworth	44	● ..	0.4	0.9	..
78	40	Real Time Control	63	-15	2.8	4.6	18.2
42	14	Reliant Motor	16	..	..	..	13.7
190	70	Revlin	143	..	0.1	0.1	..
87	30	Rockwood	78	+6	0.8	0.8	..
105	83	Rolfe & Nolan	103	+2	2.9	2.8	44.4
139	112	SAC	124	+1	2.1	1.7	21.4
128	73	Sangers Photo	82	-2	3.1	3.8	23.7
48	10	Sapphire Pet	11	..	..	..	1.5
135	104	Savage	128	..	4.3	3.4	17.3
176	110	Scanro	115	..	5.7	5.0	9.4
195	120	Scot Heritable	148	● ..	4.6	3.1	12.9
133	71	Securiguard	121	-5	3.9	3.2	22.4
26	7	SelectTV	18	..	..	..	..
350	171	Shandwick	345	..	6.0	1.7	19.9
355	253½	Share Drug Strs	305	-5	2.9	1.0	34.9
98	68½	Sheldon Jones	90	● ..	6.6	7.3	8.2
260	168	Sherwood Comp	240	●+10	4.6	1.9	28.5
198	145	Shield	188	+10	2.9	1.5	30.0
101	50	Sigmex	63	● ..	0.8	1.3	28.0
173	128	Sims Catering	135	+2	5.7	4.2	16.5
188	138	Sinclair (William)	188	..	7.5	4.0	11.7
170	155	Smallbone	170	+2	5.1	3.0	15.9
131	98	Snowdon Bridge	108	-2	3.9	3.6	12.1
33	33	Soundtracks	37	..	1.7	4.6	11.0
182	113	Sthn Bus	148	..	4.3	3.0	8.2
31	11	SW Resources	12	..	..	..	4.8
89	85	Space Planning	88	..	2.6	3.0	14.8
63	48	Spectra Auto	55	● ..	3.7	6.7	8.7
38	20	Spectrum	27	..	..	..	3.0
98	83	Spice	90	+3	4.0	4.4	13.8
71	55	Splash	83	..	4.7	7.5	10.3
220	85	Stainless Metal	178	..	6.0	3.4	25.1
108	71	Sterling Pub	103	..	2.8b	2.8	22.8
38½	17½	Sunleigh Elect	24½	..	..	..	50.0
83	58	Sutherland (ET)	82	● ..	4.8	7.8	19.9
125	108	Swindon Pr Hosp	115	..	..	..	36.3
220	175	Synapse Comp	200	..	3.1	1.6	16.7
250	150	T & S Stores	240	+5	4.6	1.9	25.7
200	110	TDS Circuits	158	-3	2.9	1.9	6.6
134	111	TMD Advert	118	..	2.4	2.1	21.1
130	108	Task Force	116	..	2.5	2.2	17.1
188	82	Tay Homes	158	+5	6.6	3.9	23.3
146	75	Tech For Bus	75	..	7.7	10.3	7.5
365	194	Tech Comp	315	..	4.6	1.5	42.6
205	115	Telecomputing	173	..	2.1	1.3	16.5
186	90	Tel Serv Int	91	● ..	3.1	3.4	29.3
145	70	Thermax	133	●-2	7.1	5.3	14.1
272½	180	Therm Scientific	225	..	3.6	1.6	30.3
88	63	Thorpac	81	..	3.8	4.4	12.1
56	42	Tinsley (Eliza)	45	..	4.1	9.1	8.7
145	113	Tod (W&J)	140	..	4.7	3.4	26.2
50	30	Towngrade Sec	30	..	1.6	5.3	23.4
199	135	Trans Promotion	187	● ..	6.2	3.3	18.5
483	270	Trencherwood	455	● ..	7.6	1.7	21.7
98	60	Triton	87	-2	1.5	2.4	14.8
280	140	Tyne Tees 'A'	235	● ..	19.5	8.3	6.0
76	43	Utd Ceramic	73	..	5.4	7.4	12.3
550	420	Utd Friendly	548	..	26.0	4.7	..
133	93	Utd Packaging	110	●+2	4.6	4.2	8.3
385	335	Utd Tst Credit	350	+2	20.0	5.7	..
96	81	Usher (Frank)	95	-3	8.4	8.7	11.3
100	38	Viewplan	38	●+2	1.8	4.7	15.6
106	61	Wayne Kerr	83	..	2.3	3.7	7.0
110	73	Webber Electro	108	● ..	3.9	3.1	13.2
19	14	Welpac	15½	..	0.4	2.8	10.6
98	68	West Yorkshire	98	..	5.7b	5.8	12.2
191	150	Wickes	185	●+2	3.6	1.9	22.6
10	4½	Willaire Syst	10	+½	..	..	45.5
27½	16½	Williams (Rex) Hldgs	18½	..	1.3	7.0	14.8
430	96	Wingate	410	●-5	2.8	0.7	63.1
90	48	[illegible]	58	-1	1.1	1.9	82.7
230	151	Worcester	226	..	7.9	3.5	23.8
220	148	Wis of Leather	160	..	3.6	2.3	17.2
98	63	Wyko	65	+1	3.7	5.6	10.6
4	4	Xylys	2004	..	..	..	..
158	118	Yellowhammer	135	..	2.3	1.7	19.8
38	29	Yelverton	35	-1	..	..	..
97	39	York Mount	75	+5	1.9	2.5	34.7
69	25	York & Equity	61	-1	..	..	..
104½	80½	Do 8%	285	..	800	6.4	..
37	15	Zygal Dynamics	36	-1	0.7	1.9	4.9

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
117	84	Alisa	114	..	3.6	3.2	22.3
820	653	Alliance	803	● ..	31.8	4.0	33.4
149	124	Amer Trust	128	..	4.4	3.5	35.1
392	286	Ang Amer Sec	370	..	8.9	2.4	58.3
120	94	Atlantic Assets	98	●-2	0.9	0.9	74.8
120	98	Bankers	130	+2	3.9b	3.0	48.9
254	169	Berry	235	..	1.5b	0.6	..
62½	53	Br Assets	55	+½	3.0	5.5	30.7
33	31	Br Empire Sec	34½	..	0.7	2.0	47.3
480	384	Br Inv	448	..	21.7	4.8	29.8
103	80	Brunner	98	..	3.3	3.3	46.0
855	790	Cont & Ind	820	..	31.4	3.8	35.5
230	139	Crescent Japan	215	+2	0.5	0.2	..
157	106	Derby Inc	152	..	12.8	8.4	18.1
143	110	Do Cap	134	..	..	..	..
364	314	Drayton Cons	338	..	14.6	4.3	33.2
190	134	Drayton Far East	168	..	1.6	0.9	..
772	420	Drayton Japan	715	+6	1.4e	0.2	..
205	176	Dundee Lon	195	..	8.0b	4.1	34.7
117	98	Edin Amer Asset	99	+1	0.9	0.9	77.3
162	118	Edinburgh	142	..	4.7	3.3	41.8
386	284	Electric Gen	368	..	6.4	1.7	61.6
165	136	English Int	165	..	5.5	3.3	46.1
180	75	English Scot	98	●-2	2.0	2.0	59.4
80	60	Ensign	68	..	2.0	2.9	78.7
119	95	F & C Alliance	117	+1	2.6	2.2	61.6
217	142	F & C Pacific	209	●+1	2.1	1.0	80.7
10½	8½	First Charlotte	10½	..	0.1	1.0	..
348	267	First Scot Amer	322	..	15.0	4.7	30.9
120	65	First Un Gen	95	..	8.7	9.2	9.0
565	480	Fleming American	506	+2	8.2	1.6	82.8
193	145	Fleming Claver	181	+1	7.4	4.1	34.8
345	284	Fleming Enterprise	305	..	12.9	4.2	34.2
130	84½	Fleming Far East	130	..	1.4	1.1	..
140	108	Fleming Fledgling	132	..	3.8	2.7	51.0
739	480	Fleming Japan	773	+3	5.7	0.8	..
185	123	Fleming Mercantile	163	..	5.5	3.4	42.1
151	123	Fleming Overseas	154	●+2	3.9	2.5	76.2
162	140	Fleming Tech	148	..	3.3	2.3	94.2
142	107	Fleming Universal	139	● ..	2.1b	1.5	87.8
102	68	For Col	97	..	2.4b	2.5	65.5
136	88	GBC Capital	91	..	..	..	..
227	118	GT Japan	227	●+2	2.0	0.9	..
183	138	General Funds	187	+1	2.8	1.6	97.4
330	275	General Cons	307	+2	17.9b	5.8	27.0
149	115	Glasgow Stock	138	-2	3.4	2.5	55.6
125	97	Globe	117	-1	5.2	4.4	30.1
147	127	Govett Atlantic	130	..	4.0b	3.1	40.5
232	138	Govett Oriental	213	+4	3.3	1.5	93.4
252	184	Govett Strategy	250	+1	3.1	2.0	71.0
380	244	Greenfriar	380	..	2.4	0.6	..
325	215	Gresham House	320	-5	6.9	2.2	34.4
194	158	Hambros	192	+2	8.4	3.3	42.4
108	104	India Fund	108	..	..	..	..
850	540	Invest in Success	842	+2	8.2	1.0	..
284	244	Inv Cap	253	-2	15.4	6.1	71.9
185	132	Ivory & Sime	138	..	6.8	4.9	18.9
83	45	Japan Assets	59½	..	0.1	0.2	..
104	80	Kleinwort Charter	88	..	3.5	3.6	42.2
136	110	Kleinwort O'seas	132	..	3.6	2.7	..
233	237	Kleinwort Smaller	230	● ..	12.0	4.1	..
235	168	Law Debenture	230	-1	9.0	3.9	27.9
70	58	Lon Merchant Sec	61	●+1	3.6	5.9	12.3
71	57	Lon Trust	58	..	1.1	1.9	69.7
128	102	Merchants	112	● ..	6.4b	5.7	22.6
30½	21¾	Merrill Lynch	225¾	+¾	..	..	..
221	161	Monks	208	..	3.7	1.8	78.5
188	128	Murray Income	148	●+1	8.8b	5.8	27.0
169	137	Murray Intl	159	..	7.1b	4.5	31.2
344	215	Murray Small	328	+3	3.9	1.2	..
405	318	Murray Venture	402	●-1	14.3b	3.6	45.8
440	390	New Court	415	..	21.3	5.1	28.8
68	49	New Darien Oil	58	..	0.9e	1.6	61.5
212	156	928	197	-1	5.7	2.9	38.5
84	50½	Nwthrog Inc 88	82½	..	4.8	7.7	17.7
271	195	New Tokyo	230	..	1.1e	0.5	..
384	278	Nth Atlantic Sec	348	+1	4.9	1.4	98.9
81	20	Nth Sea Assets	30	..	0.7	2.3	34.8
408	279	Nthn Amer	377	+2	7.7b	2.0	68.8
210	145	Outwich	201	+1	4.9	2.4	51.7
100	68	Pacific Assets	100	+5	1.0	1.0	..
36	26	Do Wrnts	29	..	..	..	..
42	35	Personal Assets	35	..	..	..	..
427	358	Raeburn	428	..	0.5	1.4	92.1
171	147	River & Merc	162	..	17.1	4.0	42.8
286	216	River Plate	256	..	8.6b	5.5	29.8
286	207	Robeco	288	+4	12.4	4.7	30.7
257	181	Rolinco	257	+4	..	..	..
380	287	Romney	360	..	7.1	1.9	58.2
19¾	11½	Rorento	215¾	+¾	..	..	..
148	118	St Andrews	146	..	4.6b	3.2	48.7
328	237	Scottish	378	..	8.9	2.4	65.2
80	68	Scot American	78	-1	2.6b	3.3	87.8
127	89	Scot Eastern	116	●-1	2.9	2.5	60.7
84	78	Scot Merc 'A'	82	..	..	..	..
558	402	Scot Mtge	526	+1	12.1	2.3	58.7
318	245	Scot Nat	285	..	7.2	2.4	55.2
711	570	Second Alliance	675	●-8	26.4	3.9	33.3
92	68	Secs Tst Of Scotland	89	..	3.9	4.4	32.7
82	67	Smaller Cos	77	..	2.0	2.6	53.8
102	81	TR Australia	97	+1	3.3	3.4	34.2
122	95	TR City Of Lon Dfd	110	+1	6.3b	5.7	25.8
213	156	TR Ind & Gen	209	..	5.7	2.7	45.1
140	100½	TR Natural Res	140	+1	5.9	4.2	30.0
101	89	TR North America	93	..	2.6	2.8	47.2
187	118	TR Pacific Basin	178	+1	1.4	0.8	..
188	140	TR Property	178	-1	5.7	3.2	39.8
118	90½	TR Tech	103	..	2.6	2.5	48.8
180	139	TR Trustees	168	+1	6.0	3.6	37.3
169	135	Temple Bar	145	-1	8.1b	5.6	25.3
305	227	Throgmorton	282	+2	11.9b	4.2	33.7
370	309	Throg Secured Cap	350	..	..	..	..
214	157½	Trans Oceanic	201	..	5.5	2.7	59.4
148	112	Tribune	140	..	4.0	2.9	40.1
95	79	Triplevest Inc	95	+1½	15.8	16.6	8.9
302	217	US Debenture	282	●+1	9.3	3.3	66.5
51	35	Value Inc Tst	42	..	..	..	..
82	33	Viking Resources	39	+½	2.9b	7.4	19.2
74	53	Westpool	61	●-2	2.3	3.8	30.0
109	80½	Witan	100	..	2.3	2.3	58.8
358	286	Yeoman	339	+4	15.1b	4.5	34.9

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
47¾	34½	American Express	239¾	●+¼	..	..	..
73	31	Argyle	73	..	1.4	1.9	39.8
49	21	Boustead	25	..	..	..	67.8
154	116	Britannia Arrow	139	●-1	6.9	5.0	18.2
24	13½	Daily Mail	221	..	70.0	3.3	14.8
20¾	12½	Do 'A'	218¾	..	70.0	3.7	13.2
156	131	Electra	144	..	5.9	4.1	33.3
173	90	Eng Trust	173	● ..	4.3	2.5	19.0
247	187	Exco	238	●-5	7.1	3.0	15.3
106	68	Exploration	103	● ..	3.3	3.2	13.5
786	375	Framlington	738	● ..	12.9	1.7	19.2
94	77	Frost Gp	94	● ..	7.1	7.6	10.1
206	183	GT Management	185	..	..	..	13.9
151	75	Goode (D & M)	133	..	2.5	1.9	37.3
905	480	Henderson Admin	905	..	17.9	2.0	17.9
218	153	ICH	181	..	12.9b	8.0	8.6
440	320	MAI	357	●-5	25.0	7.0	7.4
296	190	M & G	285	..	6.1	2.1	34.6
362	252	Mercantile House	239	-5	20.0	7.7	4.9
127	76	Pacific Inv Tst	122	..	0.5	0.4	..
28½	16	Do Warrants	26	-1	..	..	..
266	152	Smith New Court	159	..	10.0	6.3	7.8

COMMODITIES

LONDON COMMODITY EXCHANGE
G W Joynson and Co report

SUGAR (From C. Czarnikow)
FOB
Dec 126.0-25.2
Mar 139.2-39.0
May 145.0-43.6
Aug 150.2-49.0
Oct 154.2-53.8
Dec 161.0-58.0
Vol: 1744

COCOA
Dec 1516-15
Mar 1555-54
May 1575-73
Jul 1595-94
Sep 1614-10
Dec 1635-34
Mar 1664-57
Vol: 2186

COFFEE
Nov 2340-335
Jan 2300-295
Mar 2230-220
May 2215-210
Jul 2220-195
Sep 2220-200
Nov 2220-200
Vol: 5236

SOYABEAN
Oct 136.0-35.0
Dec 134.1-33.9
Feb 135.2-34.5
Apr 136.3-36.0
Jun 135.0-34.5
Aug 134.0-33.0
Oct 135.5-33.5
Vol: 106

INTERNATIONAL PETROLEUM EXCHANGE

GASOLINE,HEAVY FUEL OIL
Nov 73.5-73.0
Dec 78.0-75.0
Jan .... 80.7- Unq.
Feb 90.0-78.0
— .... —
— .... —
— .... —
Vol: 64

GAS OIL
Oct .... Unq. 124.0
Nov 127.50-27.75
Dec 132.25-32.00
Jan 136.00-35.50
Feb 138.00-37.50
Mar 134.00-32.50
Apr 134.00-25.00
May 134.00-20.00
Jun 134.00-16.00
Vol: 4219

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE

Unofficial prices
Official Turnover figures
Price in £ per metric tonne
Silver in pence per troy ounce
Rudolf Wolf & Co. Ltd. report

COPPER GRADE A
Cash 926.00-927.00
Three Months . 949.00-949.50
Vol .... Steady
Tone 1450

STANDARD CATHODES
Cash 902.00-903.50
Three Months . 925.50-926.50
Vol .... Nil
Tone .... Idle

LEAD
Cash 296.00-298.00
Three Months . 297.00-298.00
Vol 4550
Tone .... Steadier

ZINC STANDARD
Cash 595.00-605.00
Vol .... Nil
Tone .... Idle

ZINC HIGH GRADE
Cash 627.00-628.00
Three Months 620.50-621.00
Vol 1800
Tone .... Steady

SILVER LARGE
Cash 402.00-403.00
Three Months . 412.00-413.00
Vol 1
Tone .... Idle

SILVER SMALL
Cash 402.00-403.00
Three Months . 412.00-413.00
Vol .... Nil
Tone .... Idle

ALUMINIUM
Cash 815.00-816.00
Three Months . 824.00-824.50
Vol 5050
Tone .... Steadier

NICKEL
Cash 2590-2600
Three Months 2640-2645
Vol 60
Tone .... Quiet

Meat and Livestock Commission prices refer to Tuesday's trading.

MEAT AND LIVESTOCK COMMISSION

Average fatstock prices at representative markets on October 7

GB: Cattle, 92.20p per kg lw (+1.56)
GB: Sheep 126.10p per kg* (+6.29)
GB: Pigs, 77.34p per kg lw (-0.08)
* est. dead carcase weight

England and Wales:
Cattle nos. down 3.1 %, ave. price, 91.43p(+1.59)
Sheep nos. down 8.0 %, ave. price, 126.03p(+5.39)
Pig nos. down 4.4 %, ave. price, 76.76p(-0.04)

Scotland:
Cattle nos. down 3.1 %, ave. price, 94.28p(+1.46)
Sheep nos. down 8.8 %, ave. price, 126.40p(+10.39)
Pig nos. up 0.4 %, ave. price, 80.45p(-0.54)

LONDON MEAT FUTURES EXCHANGE

Pig Contract p. per kilo

Month	Open	Close
Oct	Unq.	102.8
Nov	Unq.	103.9
Feb	Unq.	98.8
Apr	Unq.	98.3
Jun	Unq.	98.3
Aug	Unq.	98.3
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—	—	—
—	—	—

Vol: 7
Pig Meat vol: 2

LONDON MEAT FUTURES EXCHANGE

Live Cattle Contract p. per kilo

Month	Open	Close
Oct	Unq.	94.8
Nov	Unq.	97.5
Feb	Unq.	99.5
Apr	Unq.	101.5
Jun	Unq.	100.0
—	—	—
—	—	—
—	—	—

Vol: 2

LONDON GRAIN FUTURES

£ per tonne

Month	Wheat Close	Barley Close
Nov	107.05	109.00
Jan	109.10	110.50
Mar	111.45	112.75
May	113.95	113.65
Jul	115.30	—
Sep	100.75	101.00

Volume:
Wheat 303
Barley 152

LONDON POTATO FUTURES

£ per tonne

Month	Open	Close
Nov	110.00	108.70
Feb	120.50	119.00
Apr	174.00	169.00
May	188.50	186.00
Nov	85.00	85.00
—	—	—

Vol: 998

BIFFEX

G.N.I. Freight Futures Ltd report $10 per index point freight index

	High/Low	Close
Oct 86	790.0-784.0	784.0
Jan 87	790.0-784.0	782.0
Apr 87	—	832.5
Jul 87	745.0-739.0	739.0
Oct 87	845.0-842.0	845.0
Jan 88	—	862.5
Apr 88	—	967.5
Jul 88	—	842.5

Vol: 57 lots
Open interest: 2458

TANKER REPORT

	High/Low	Close
Oct 86	—	807.5
Nov 86	920.0-920.0	920.0
Dec 86	—	940.0
Mar 87	—	950.0
Jun 87	—	950.0
Sep 87	—	950.0

Vol: 10 lots
Open interest 26

Spot market commentary:
Tanker index: 789.0 down 15.0 on 7/10/86
Dry cargo index: 795.0 up 1.0 on 7/10/86

STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES

Equities turn nervous

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings began on September 29. Dealings end tomorrow. §Contango day next Monday. Settlement day October 20. §Forward bargains are permitted on two previous business days.

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No.	Company	Group	Gain or loss
1	Beach Textile	Drapery, Stores	
2	Blue Arrow	Industrials A-D	
3	Lloyds	Banks, Discount	
4	Oxford Instruments	Electricals	
5	Foseco-Minsep	Chemicals, Plas	
6	Microgen	Electricals	
7	Renold	Industrials L-R	
8	Broken Hill	Industrials A-D	
9	Smurfit (Jeff)	Paper, Printing	
10	Cement-Roadstone	Building, Roads	
11	Thorpe (FW)	Electricals	
12	Morland	Breweries	
13	Burnett & Hallam	Building, Roads	
14	Holt Lloyd	Industrials E-K	
15	Prop Security	Property	
16	Star Comp	Industrials S-Z	
17	BSR	Electricals	
18	Yorkshire TV	Cinemas,TV	
19	Reuters	Industrials L-R	
20	Cray Elect	Electricals	
21	Crown House	Industrials A-D	
22	Attwoods	Building, Roads	
23	Lon & Nthn	Industrials L-R	
24	Br Vita	Industrials A-D	
25	Bank of Scotland	Banks, Discount	
26	Mercury Intl	Banks, Discount	
27	BICC	Electricals	
28	Granada	Industrials E-K	
29	Frogmore	Property	
30	Ayrshire Metal	Industrials A-D	
31	Sandhurst	Industrials S-Z	
32	Br Land	Property	
33	Park Foods	Foods	
34	Holt Lloyd	Chemicals, Plas	
35	Fine Art Dev	Drapery, Stores	
36	Low & Bonar	Industrials L-R	
37	Dunhill	Drapery, Stores	
38	AAH	Industrials A-D	
39	Avana	Foods	
40	Lon Intl	Industrials L-R	
41	Cable & Wireless	Electricals	
42	Boddingtons	Breweries	
43	Centreway Ind	Industrials A-D	
44	LWT Hldgs	Cinemas, TV	
	© Times Newspapers Ltd.	Daily Total	

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Weekly Dividend

Please make a note of your daily totals for the weekly dividend of £8,000 in Saturday's newspaper.

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	Weekly Total

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DAILY DIVIDEND £4,000

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BRITISH FUNDS

1986 High	Low	Stock			Price	Ch'ge	Int. only Yld%	Gross Red. yld%
SHORTS (Under Five Years)								
99	94¾	Exch	2½%	1986	98		2.5	9.989
103	95½	Exch	13½%	1987	100½		13.2	10.845
100½	93¼	Treas	C10½%	1987	99¾		10.3	11.095
97¾	92¾	Exch	2½%	1987	97¾		2.6	8.156
101½	95¾	Exch	10½%	1987	99¾		10.5	11.057
99½	93½	Fund	6½%	1985-87	98¼ ●		6.6	10.134
101¼	95½	Treas	10%	1987	99¾		10.1	11.037
97¼	90¼	Treas	3%	1987	95¼	+⅛	3.1	8.345
104½	94¼	Treas	12%	1987	100¾●		11.9	11.042
99½	92¼	Treas	7¾%	1985-88	96¾		8.0	10.680
104¼	93¼	Exch	10½%	1988	98¼ ●-¼		10.0	11.150
102¼	94¼	Treas	C9¾%	1988	97½		10.0	11.114
94¾	86½	Trans	3%	1978-88	91¾		3.3	8.332
102¾	92½	Treas	9½%	1988	97 ●-⅛		9.8	11.158
107¾	93½	Treas	11½%	1989	100¼	-⅛	11.5	11.327
105¾	95½	Treas	10½%	1989	98	-⅛	10.7	11.319
104½	93½	Exch	10%	1989	96¾	-⅛	10.3	11.305
111¼	94¼	Exch	10½%	1989	100¼	-⅛	10.2	10.170
107½	94	Exch	11%	1990	99	-⅛	11.1	11.288
93¼	84½	Treas	5%	1986-89	89¾ ●		5.6	9.451
103¾	92¼	Treas	C9¼%	1989	95½ ●-⅛		9.9	11.291
92	82¼	Treas	3%	1989	87¼		3.4	8.539
114¼	103¼	Treas	13%	1990	104¾	-⅛	12.4	11.308
86¼	76¾	Exch	2½%	1990	79¾		3.1	8.345
108½	94¼	Exch	11%	1990	98¾	-⅛	11.1	11.228
113¼	100	Exch	12½%	1990	103½	-⅛	12.1	11.319
89½	79¾	Treas	3%	1990	83½ ●		3.6	8.495
100¾	89¼	Treas	8¼%	1987-90	93¾		8.8	10.364
105¼	92¼	Treas	10%	1990	95¾ ●-⅛		10.4	11.358
112¼	99	Treas	11¾%	1991	101½	-⅛	11.6	11.311
94½	84½	Fund	5¾%	1987-91	87¾		6.6	9.228
110½	97¼	Exch	11%	1991	99¾ ●-⅛		11.1	11.236
86¼	78½	Treas	3%	1991	79¾ ●		3.8	—
FIVE TO FIFTEEN YEARS								
118¾	103	Treas	12¾%	1992	106	-⅛	12.0	11.192
107¾	91¼	Treas	10%	1992	95¾	-⅛	10.5	11.118
109¾	92¼	Treas	C10¼%	1992	97¼ ●-⅛		10.8	11.146
117½	100¾	Exch	12¼%	1992	104¼	-⅛	11.8	11.206
123¼	102¼	Exch	13½%	1992	109½	-⅛	12.3	11.319
108	93¼	Treas	10%	1993	95¼ ●-⅛		10.5	11.003
121¼	103¼	Treas	12½%	1993	106½	-⅛	12.0	11.279
91½	79¼	Fund	6%	1993	84¼	-⅛	7.1	9.112
139	110¾	Treas	13¾%	1993	111½	-⅛	12.3	11.359
133¼	105¼	Treas	14½%	1994	116½	-⅛	12.4	11.214
127½	97¾	Exch	12½%	1994	105¾	-⅛	11.8	11.298
127½	109¾	Exch	13½%	1994	110¾ ●-⅛		12.2	11.386
103½	88¼	Treas	9%	1994	89¾	-⅛	10.0	10.851
120	100¾	Treas	12%	1995	103¾	-⅛	11.6	11.287
78½	68½	Gas	3%	1990-95	74¾ ●-⅛		4.0	7.016
110¾	91¼	Exch	10¼%	1995	95¾	-⅛	10.7	11.104
126	107½	Treas	12¾%	1995	108¾	-⅛	11.7	11.200
133¼	112½	Treas	14%	1996	115¾	-⅛	12.2	11.309
103¼	87	Treas	9%	1992-96	89¾	-⅛	10.0	10.738
142¾	114	Treas	15¼%	1996	121½ ●-⅛		12.5	11.407
130½	110¾	Exch	13¼%	1996	111¼	-⅛	11.9	11.214
84¾	74½	Rdmpt	3%	1986-96	79¼	-⅛	3.8	
106¼	92¾	Conv	10%	1996	93¾	-⅛	10.7	11.053
131	110	Treas	13¼%	1997	112	-⅛	11.8	11.198
112¾	93½	Exch	10½%	1997	96½	-⅛	10.9	11.084
101¼	79½	Treas	8¾%	1997	86½	-⅛	10.1	10.784
142½	118½	Exch	15%	1997	122½ ●-⅛		12.2	11.428
88½	71	Treas	6¾%	1995-98	75¼ ●-⅛		9.0	10.549
107½	89½	Exch	9¾%	1998	92¼	-⅛	10.6	10.973
148¾	126½	Treas	15½%	1998	127¾	-⅛	12.2	11.317
124½	105	Exch	12%	1998	105½	-⅛	11.4	11.113
107¼	88½	Treas	9½%	1999	91¾	-⅛	10.4	10.894
126½	103¼	Exch	12¼%	1999	108¾	-⅛	11.2	11.075
114	96¼	Treas	10½%	1999	97½	-⅛	10.8	10.903
112½	94½	Conv	10¼%	1999	95½	-⅛	10.7	10.893
133½	111¾	Treas	13%	2000	113¾	-⅛	11.4	11.077
98	87¼	Conv	9%	2000	86¼	-⅛		10.680
111¾	91¾	Treas	10%	2001	94¾	-⅛	10.6	10.751
109¾	89¾	Conv	9¾%	2001	93½	-⅛	10.5	10.716
137½	117	Treas	14%	1998-01	117½	-⅛	11.9	11.327
OVER FIFTEEN YEARS								
111¾	94¼	Conv	10%	2002	95	●-⅛	10.5	10.703
124¼	103¼	Exch	12%	1999-02	106½	-⅛	11.3	11.117
109½	90	Treas	9¾%	2002	93¼	-⅛	10.5	10.654
112½	93½	Treas	10%	2003	95¾	-⅛	10.5	10.625
139¾	118½	Treas	13¾%	2000-03	118¾	-⅛	11.6	11.109
123½	103¼	Treas	11½%	2001-04	104¾	-⅛	11.0	10.848
112¼	94¼	Treas	10%	2004	95¾	-⅛	10.5	10.593
60½	48¼	Fund	3½%	1999-04	50¾	-⅛	6.9	9.167
108¾	90¾	Conv	9½%	2004	91¾	●-⅛	10.4	10.615
108¾	90¾	Conv	9½%	2005	91½	●-⅛	10.4	10.550
117¾	94¼	Exch	10½%	2005	99¾	-⅛	10.5	10.545
134¼	112¾	Treas	12½%	2003-05	113¾	-⅛	11.0	10.741
95¾	79¾	Treas	8%	2002-06	80¾	-⅛	10.0	10.324
107½	93	Conv	9¾%	2006	93¾	-⅛	10.4	10.511
127¾	104¾	Treas	11¾%	2003-07	107½	-⅛	10.9	10.753
94½	83¼	Treas	8½%	2007	84¼	-⅛	10.1	10.388
143¼	115¾	Treas	13½%	2004-08	122	-⅛	11.1	10.738
95½	79	Treas	8%	2009	80¼	-⅛	10.0	10.293
72½	57½	Treas	5½%	2008-12	59	-⅛	9.3	9.908
93¾	76¼	Treas	7¾%	2012-15	78	-⅛	9.9	10.098
136	113½	Exch	12%	2013-17	115¼	-⅛	10.4	10.312
UNDATED								
45¾	38¼	Consols	4%		39¾	-⅛	10.1	10.095
42	34¼	War Ln	3½%		34½	-⅛	10.0	10.072
55¼	44¾	Conv	3½%		46½	-⅛	7.5	7.467
34½	29¼	Treas	3%		29¾	-⅛	10.1	10.127
29¾	24¼	Consols	2½%		24½	-⅛	10.1	10.101
29¾	24¼	Treas	2½%		24¾	-⅛	10.1	10.152
INDEX-LINKED								
123	114¾	Treas IL	2%	1988	120¾	-⅛	2.1	3.230
107¾	98½	Treas IL	2%	1990	104¾	-⅛	2.2	3.386
122	108¾	Treas IL	2%	1996	115¾	-⅛	2.5	3.651
107¾	95½	Treas IL	2½%	2001	99¾	-⅛	3.1	3.930
107¼	93½	Treas IL	2½%	2003	99¾	-⅛	3.1	3.871
110½	98¼	Treas IL	2%	2006	101¾	-⅛	2.8	3.729
106½	92¾	Treas IL	2½%	2009	96¾	-⅛	3.2	3.676
108½	97	Treas IL	2½%	2011	102½	-⅛	3.2	3.581
111½	79¾	Treas IL	2½%	2013	85½	-⅛	3.2	3.550
94½	79¾	Treas IL	2½%	2016	85¾	-⅛	3.2	3.493
102½	87¾	Treas IL	2½%	2016 A	93¼	-⅛	2.7	3.477
99¾	93½	Treas IL	2½%	2016	91¼	●-⅛	3.2	3.425
100½	86½	Treas IL	2½%	2020				

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
BANKS DISCOUNT HP							
251	186	Allied Irish	200		9.0b	4.5	5.8
85	65	Ansbacher (Henry)	76		..●	..	39.4
298	185	Aus New Z	236	-1	15.0	6.3	..
12½	7½	Bankamerica	£8½				
260	153	Bank Of Ireland	173	+2	17.0	9.8	..
11	8	Bank Leumi Israel	£11				
360	230	Bank Leumi UK	230	●	1.7	0.7	10.7
469	384	Bank Of Scotland	432	●+3	20.7	4.8	9.5
580	428	Barclays	464	●	28.1	6.1	6.7
48	32	Benchmark	35	●	2.3	6.4	12.0
740	410	Brown Shipley	513		13.6	2.7	24.0
439	286	Cater Allen	293		28.9	9.9	36.7
58½	35	Cattles	47½		2.9	6.1	13.2
32¾	24¾	Chase Manhattan	£25¾		138	5.4	..
42¾	33¾	Citicorp	£34½	+¾	205	6.0	..
80	45	Com Bank Wales	69		3.4	4.9	11.3
116	80½	Commerzbank	£111¾	+¾	8.0	0.1	..
280½	215½	Deutsche Bank	£280½	+4½	800	4.3	..
29½	17	Equity & Gen	28½	●	1.3	4.6	28.9
212	148	First Nat Finance	171	-1	6.8	3.9	10.4
378	242	Gerrard Nat	269		22.1	8.2	8.3
192	58	Guinness Peat	81		2.9	3.6	12.9
251	135	Hambros	228		10.3n	4.6	9.0
430	325	Hill Samuel	388	+2	22.6	5.8	7.3
74	55	HK Shanghai	71	+2	3.3	4.6	..
520	318	Joseph (Leopold)	500		17.7	3.5	21.0
198	136	King & Shaxson	138		12.5	9.1	11.7
570	377	Kleinwort Benson	475	●	24.6	5.2	10.4
484	293	Lloyds	412	+3	25.0	6.1	6.6
83	58	Lon Scot	64		3.7	5.8	12.2
426½	273	Mercury Intl	305	+5			
153	106	Do 6% 'A'	112		8.6	7.7	..
588	417	Midland	537	-3	37.1	6.9	19.9
485	368	Morgan Grenfell	373	-2	12.1	3.2	..
321	191	Nat Aust Bk	250				
593	428	Nat West	309		27.6	5.4	5.3
122	80	Ottoman	£110		800	5.5	8.8
448	260	Provident	293	●	18.6b	6.3	10.3
80	58	Rea Bros	60		0.6	1.0	13.7
		Rothschild (J) Hld	124	+1	7.1	5.7	12.9
380	260	Royl Bnk Of Scot	328		14.3	4.4	9.5
8	6¾	Schroders	£7¼	● ..	15.4	2.1	13.9
894	419	Stand Chart	742	+48	46.4	6.3	9.2
818	613	Union	668		52.9	7.9	67.3
77¼	43¾	Wells Fargo	272½	●+½			
320	220	Wintrust	270		7.7	2.9	18.2
BREWERIES							
363	248	Allied-Lyons	310	-3	13.8	4.4	14.1
840	620	Bass	692	-3	21.7	3.1	14.7
87	39	Belhaven	71	-1	1.2	1.7	29.5
144	85	Boddingtons	118	●+1	4.8	4.1	14.9
553	375	Brown (Matthew)	530	-5	20.0b	3.8	18.5
124	58	Buckleys	118		4.1	3.5	26.6
182	144	Bulmer (H P)	162		7.6	5.0	15.6
600	405	Buckwood Brew	600		15.4	2.6	20.0
515	410	Clark (Matthew)	455	●	11.4	2.5	18.0
237	128	Devenish (J A)	174		3.7	2.1	25.5
204	163	Greenall Whitley	167	-1	7.9	4.7	11.9
258	183	Greene King	250		8.0	3.2	14.3
355	275	Guinness	315	-3	10.3	3.3	11.9
610	455	Hardys & Hansons	585		25.9	4.2	15.4
91	66	Highland Dist	67	+1	2.9	4.3	13.5
179	146	Invergordon Dist	146		6.8	4.7	9.8
288	160	Irish Dist	161	+1	6.0	3.7	..
114	77	Marston Thompson	111	+1	3.2	2.9	15.9
257	217	Morland	257	+3	9.1	3.5	14.2
298	131	SA Breweries	233	+5			
234	163	Scot & New	187	+2	10.0	5.3	11.3
540	353	Vaux	372	+3	16.4	4.4	14.3
318	223	Whitbread 'A'	248	-5	11.1	4.5	11.4
318	226	Do 'B'	253	-5	11.1	4.4	11.7
251	188	Whitbread Inv	273	-3	10.8	5.0	27.3
553	410	Wolvrhmptn & D	535	-3	12.7	2.4	19.5
330	195	Young 'A'	285		10.4	3.6	19.8
BUILDINGS AND ROADS							
193	109	Abbey	173		..	..	..
288	207½	Aberdeen Constr	208	● ..	11.8	5.6	19.2
257	213	Amec	251	-2	16.4	6.5	14.1
74	52	Amcliffe	65		2.1e	3.2	10.2
212	125	Attwoods	211	+1	6.1	2.9	19.5
550	331	BPB Industries	451	-2	12.9	2.9	16.3
386	284	Baggeridge Brick	386		10.2	2.6	14.3
186	114	Barratt Devs	144	●	11.8	8.1	14.6
32	22	Bailey(Ben) Constr	25		..	..	6.0
192	128	Bellway	180	-2	10.7	5.7	8.5
83	62	Bett Bros	62		4.4	7.1	17.5
10¼	875	Blockleys	965	-10	38.6	4.0	13.5
726	526	Blue Circle	553	●-3	30.0	5.4	7.8
275	235	Breedon&Cloud Hill	253	● ..	14.6	5.8	24.0
91	61	Br Dredging	77		4.3	5.6	14.1
29	18	Brown & Jackson	22½	+½	..	..	57.7
78	37	Brownlee	72		3.8	5.3	38.5
132	84	Bryant	114		4.9	4.5	14.4
27	7	Burnett & Hallam	8½	+1	..	..	0.9
158	130	Calebread Robey	150		4.7	3.1	..
128	85	Cement-Roadstone	105	●+4	4.0	3.8	..
131	80	Conder Grp	125	●-3	3.6	2.9	18.1
590	449	Costain	514	●-4	25.0	4.9	9.5
488	298	Countryside	405	-15	8.5	2.1	19.9
185	124	Crouch (Derek)	154	● ..	8.8	5.7	11.2
124	84	Dew (George)	110		8.6	7.8	15.5
137	72	Douglas (RM)	116	● ..	3.2b	2.8	23.2
109	83	Erith	108		5.0	4.6	20.1
93	75	Feb	85		2.5	2.9	11.6
71	54	Do 'A'	64		2.5	3.9	8.7
172	51	Federated Hsg	108	●-4	5.0	4.6	11.4
70	54	Finlan Gp	66	● ..	5.4	8.2	19.3
94	80	Galliford	92		6.9	7.5	14.7
131	106	Gibbs & Dandy Ord	125		2.6	2.1	34.9
385	234	Gleeson (MJ)	356		7.9	2.2	12.3
143	86	HAT	136		5.4	4.0	12.9
313	56	Helical Bar	295	-15	..	..	84.5
258	136	Henderson	203	-3	10.0	4.9	13.5
79	42	Hewden-Stuart	67		2.4	3.6	11.3
244	144	Heywood Williams	182	-2	10.1	5.5	12.3
643	428	Higgs & Hill	590	-10	19.4	3.3	16.2
44	29½	Howard Shut	42	● ..	2.0	4.8	16.9
196	126	Ibstock Johnsen	172		7.1	4.1	12.9
480	265	Jarvis (J) & Sons	440	● ..	14.3	3.3	20.9
486	298	Laing (J)	343	●-1	10.7	3.1	8.7
484	285	Do 'A'	343	●-1	10.7	3.1	8.7
122	78	Lawrence (Walter)	93		5.7b	6.1	7.4
91	56	Lilley (FJC)	58		5.5	9.5	7.5
429	200	Lovell (YJ)	386		10.2	2.6	13.6
196	136	Magnet & South	184	-2	7.4	4.0	21.9
325	178	Manders	323	●+13	12.6	3.9	19.6
135	101	Marley	111	●-½	5.4	4.9	21.5
210	151	Marshalls (Halifax)	185		7.5	4.1	15.5
151	96	May & Hassell	141		0.1	0.1	..
448	304	McAlpine (Alfred)	378	●-7	18.1	4.8	12.2
304	228	McCarthy & S	280	+5	4.1	1.5	18.5
272	171	Meyer Int	224	-2	8.2	3.7	12.0
38	23	Miller (Stanley)	36		1.2	3.7	..
154	109	Monk (A)	154	+35	9.3	6.0	20.5
444	305	Mowlem (John)	374	-2	20.7	5.5	11.3
920	798	Newarthill	825		15.7	1.9	14.5
213	163	Nottingham Brick	196		9.3	4.7	14.5
249	115	Persimmon	218	● ..	9.0b	4.1	9.8
110	78	Phoenix Timber	78		..	..	2.6
385	285	Pochins	350		18.4	5.3	7.8
888	440	RMC	632	-2	20.5	3.3	14.0
482	340	Redland	379	-1	16.5	4.4	12.0
323	188	Roberoid	288	-3	12.3	4.3	10.2
191	133½	Rugby Cement	154½		9.4	6.1	17.1
142	87	Sharpe & Fisher	124	● ..	3.5	2.8	10.0
84	70	Smart (J)	79	-1	6.8b	8.6	10.7
518	342	Tarmac	414	●-4	13.8	3.3	17.4
348	228½	Taylor Woodrow	273	-5	12.7	4.7	12.1
175	135	Tilbury Group	155		8.4b	5.4	11.8
436	328	Travis & Arnold	413	● ..	12.5	3.0	16.2
101	75	Trent	87	● ..	1.5	1.8	60.4
186	138	Turriff	178		10.0	5.7	31.3
391	195	Vibroplant	331	● ..	15.0	4.5	11.5
298	245	Ward	288	● ..	10.4	3.6	16.3
95	58	Warrington (T)	81		1.4	1.5	10.4
204	172	Watts Blake	180		6.8	3.8	12.8
86	67	Western Bros	83		1.5	1.8	24.9
155	41	Wiggins	153		0.7	0.5	17.9
280	157	Wilson (Connolly)	243	● ..	3.2	1.3	19.2
225	120	Wimpey (George)	187	-2	5.6	3.0	16.0
CHEMICALS, PLASTICS							
48	36¼	AKZO N/V Bearer	£45½	r +½	400	8.8	..
235	160	Allied Colloids	215	-2	3.6	1.7	22.9
428	281	Amersham	427	+2	10.0	2.3	22.2
247	180	Anchor Chemical	222		6.1	2.7	13.0
158	108	BTP	135		6.4	4.7	16.3
111	78½	Bayer DM50	£105¼	+¾	700	6.7	..
332	102	Blagden	108		10.3	9.5	18.3
188	112	Brent Chems	148		6.6b	4.5	16.8
100	57½	Br Benzol	90		..	..	..
136	82	Canning (W)	118		5.1	4.3	19.8
305	245	Coalite	267		10.7	4.0	10.0
169	135	Coates Bros	164		6.6	4.0	10.3
160	112	Do 'A'	150		6.6	4.4	9.4
29	15	Cory (Horace)	23	●+½	1.0	4.3	7.7
163	127	Croda	153	-1	10.0	6.5	16.9
131	100	Do Dfd	128	● ..	..	..	13.3
223	175	Ellis & Everard	194		8.4	4.3	14.8
133	111	Evode	115	-2	4.7	4.1	12.5
298	206	Foseco-Minsep	220	+3	12.9	5.9	9.0
171	113	Halstead (James)	169	-2	7.1	4.2	9.8
453	330	Hickson	400		21.9	5.5	10.3
101¼	72¼	Hoechst DM50	£92¾	+¾			
108	66	Holt Lloyd	94	+4	5.7	6.1	13.5
11	734	Imp Chem Ind	£11		48.6	4.4	12.4
410	333	Laporte	368	●-3	12.6	3.4	15.3
118	99	Leigh	112		5.4	4.8	18.3
15½	11¼	Norsk Hydro	212½	-½	0.3	..	..
169	119	Plysu	166	+1	2.6	1.5	21.4
108	62	Rebrook Hldgs	108	● ..	3.7	3.4	12.4
178	129	Rentokil	137	● ..	3.7	2.7	17.2
330	218	SNIA BPD	253	-1	..	..	..
73	36	Sutcliffe Speakman	48	-1	..	..	65.8
237	178	Wolstenholme Rink	220	● ..	11.4	5.2	24.7
153	87	Yorkshire Chem	135	+2	4.3	3.2	12.2
CINEMAS AND TV							
295	175	Anglia TV 'A'	283	-3	13.9	4.9	14.9
52	27	Grampian	44	+1	2.9	6.6	6.3
240	178	HTV N/V	205	-3	12.1	5.9	8.7
398	293	LWT Hldgs	388	+3	21.3	5.4	16.0
350	198	Scot TV	335		15.9	4.7	11.0
273	149	TVS N/V	235		14.3	6.1	11.8
47½	31	TSW	47½	+½	2.6	5.5	13.0
288	223	Thames TV	288	+2	..	..	..
179	156½	TV-AM	179	+6	8.4	3.6	..
148	104	Ulster TV	145		8.9	6.1	5.5
155	137	Yorkshire TV	143	+3	8.9	6.2	9.7
DRAPERY AND STORES							
197	90	Alexon	189	-1	4.6	2.4	12.3
27½	14	Amber Day	15½	-¼	..	..	..
98	61	Aquascutum 'A'	67		3.6	5.4	22.9
242	173	Ashley (Laura)	177	-2	2.5	1.4	38.2
73	33	Beach Textile	43	+5	..	..	..
89	79	Beattie (James) 'A'	88		3.8	4.3	12.5
208	123	Bentalls	130	-1	3.3	2.5	28.8
18	2½	Blacks Leis	5½	+1½	..	..	..
680	387	Body Shop	675	-5	3.0	0.4	68.2
86	40	Bremner	62		1.4	2.3	46.3
785	525	Brown (N)	735		16.1	2.1	28.2
358	236	Burton	270	-1	6.8	2.5	18.8
174	64	Cantors 'A'	124	● ..	3.2	2.6	9.8
56	37	Casket (S)	56		3.1	5.5	17.9
430	305	Church	415	● ..	12.1	2.9	16.7
564	428	Coats Viyella	480	-2	17.9	3.8	13.7
288	145	Combined English	210	●-3	10.4	5.0	18.9
152	116	Courts (Furn) 'A'	131	●-1	6.7	5.1	9.7
365	210	DAKS Simpson 'A'	280		8.5	3.0	11.2
89	68	Dewhirst (I J)	78	● ..	1.3	1.7	18.5
398	218	Dixons Grp	334	-4	4.3	1.3	23.8
558	348	Dunhill	550	+5	7.9	1.4	18.7
109	73	Ellis & Goldstein	93	+1	3.5	4.3	10.1
715	585	Elys (Wimbledon)	600		13.6	2.3	28.2
220	154	Empire Stores	180	-2	8.6	4.8	17.5
274	184	Etam	234	-2	6.3	2.7	18.7
135	39	Executex Clothes	103	-5	2.8	2.8	7.5
183	105	Fine Art Dev	173	+3	5.7	3.3	20.2
138½	81	Ford (Martin)	82		..	..	..
203	183	Forminster	183	● ..	8.3	4.6	8.0
484	310	Freemans	422	-2	10.6	2.5	18.0
84	50	Gent SR	58	-2	1.4	2.4	34.8
153	89	Goldberg (A)	145	-1	5.7	3.9	18.0
238	172	Goldsmiths Gp	206		10.7	5.2	45.0
18½	890	GUS	£14¾		30.0	2.1	18.0
11½	721	Do 'A'	975	-10	30.0	3.1	12.9
307	190	Harris Queensway	226	-4	8.5	3.2	15.6
33	24½	Helene Of London	24½		2.3	9.4	8.0
45	28	Hollas	40	-1	3.1	7.8	12.3
182	102	House Of Lerose	154		12.0	7.8	11.2
88	74	Jones (Ernest)	82	-2	5.0	6.1	13.1
44	24	Ladies Pride	38½	● ..	1.1	2.9	28.5
134	110½	LCP	134	+7	6.4	4.8	20.0
235	135	Lee Cooper	233	+2	8.0	2.6	10.2
830	675	Liberty	700		11.1	1.6	23.7
250	163	Lincroft Kilgour	238		10.7	4.5	10.4
231	168	Marks & Spencer	191	-3	5.6	2.9	22.8
350	283	Menzies (John)	305	-3	6.0	2.0	14.5
535	498	Moss Bros	500	● ..	8.4	1.7	23.7
237	186	Next	234	-1	5.8	2.5	18.5
353	305	Oliver (G)	325	● ..	13.1	4.0	18.9
81	55	Pentos	79½	● ..	1.1	1.4	20.7
130	100	Preedy (Alfred)	112		5.5	4.9	79.3
234	105	Ramars (Jewellers)	215	●-1	4.3	2.0	27.8
370	220	Read (Austin)	320		7.9	2.5	27.9
179	135	Do 'A'	145		7.9	5.4	12.7
50	31	S & U Stores	50		..	..	..
148½	102	Sears	112	-2½	5.0	4.5	14.4
364	234	Smith (WH) 'A'	258	●-4	8.6	3.3	15.2
72	47	Do 'B'	52	●-1	1.7	3.3	15.3
84	65	Stanley (AG)	77		4.3	5.6	12.6
78	74	Stead & Simpson 'A'	84		5.1	6.1	15.6
365	265	Storehouse	306	-4	11.0	3.6	16.3
24½	14	Stormgard	18	+1½	..	..	13.9
42	22	Sumrie Clothes	25		..	..	..
523	413	Superdrug Stores	445	● ..	7.8	1.7	24.5
150	127	Tibbet & Britten	140	+3			
88½	57¾	Time Products	76½		3.2	4.2	13.9
193	170	Tip Top Drug	193		..	..	28.8
198	158	Underwoods	168	-1	2.4	1.4	32.2
378	235	Ward White	334	-4	9.7	2.9	18.0
178	98	Wigfalls	150		3.6e	2.4	..
107	100	Windsmoor	100		..	..	..
925	430	Woolworth	600	●-5	22.9b	3.8	13.7
ELECTRICALS							
398	180	AB Elect	333	-2	14.3	4.3	17.0
220	120	Alphameric	222		2.1	1.0	22.3
152	36	Amstrad	128	-4	0.5	0.4	13.2
99	45	Apricot Computers	88	+5	0.5b	0.9	3.8
96	63	Arlen	88		..	..	34.5
300	205	Atlantic Comp	230	●	4.1	1.8	7.4
69	48	Audio Fidelity	65		..	..	28.8
17½	4	Audiotronic	15¼		..	..	..
280	140	Auto Sec	171	●	2.3	1.3	11.7
370	235	BICC	245	+5	15.7	6.4	13.8
138	64	BSR	83	+3	2.5	3.0	5.5
147	118	Black	122		..	..	..
160	133	Borland	133		..	..	..
585	379	Bowthorpe	560	-10	10.5	1.9	19.3
280	177½	Br Telecom	182		10.7	5.9	10.6
112	75	Brown Boveri Kent	98		5.0b	5.1	8.2
19	11½	Bulgin (AF) 'A'	15	+1	0.1	0.7	26.8
152	82	CASE	67	+3	0.6	0.9	5.6
389	277	Cable & Wireless	311	+2	6.8	2.2	17.0
318	193	Cambridge Elec	218	●	10.6	4.9	13.1
243	178	CAP Gp	190		2.1	1.1	24.1
57	37	Chloride	49		..	..	11.5
225	149	Do 7½% CPF	207	-2	..	..	..
130	21	Collins Intl	124	+1	3.9	3.1	13.8
352	203	Comcap	321		2.1	0.7	18.0
346	250	Cray Elect	346	●+1	3.6	1.8	24.4
258	140	Crystalate	198		6.5	3.3	12.0
79	46	Dale Elect	61	●	4.3	7.0	20.2
190	147	Dataserv	180		1.0	0.6	..
55	28	Dewhurst	29		1.6	5.5	6.5
32	26	Do 'A'	28		1.6	5.7	6.3
365	282	Domino	310		2.6	0.8	20.9
50	37	Dowding & Mills	42	●+1	2.3	5.5	10.9
212	120	Dubilier	120	-3	4.1	3.4	8.8
445	380	Electrocomponents	405		8.9	2.2	19.7
85	46	Electronic Mach	58		1.0	1.7	79.5
82	42	Electronic Rentals	54	+1	4.6	8.5	14.9
337	237	Emess Lighting	275		8.9b	3.2	15.3
380	255	Eurotherm	270		6.8	2.5	14.6
253	147	Farnell Elect	153	-2	3.1	2.0	15.1
158	92	Ferranti	102	+6	2.4	2.4	17.0
61	34	Forward Tech	45		1.0	2.4	17.8
226	156	GEC	170		6.1	3.6	10.6
186	90	Grosvenor	123				
114	80	Highland Elect	80		3.6	4.4	10.5
163	45	ISL	52		1.7	3.4	8.0
358	225	Int Signal & Control	238	● ..	1.0	0.4	..
255	175	Jones Stroud	240	● ..	12.1	5.0	8.0
390	85	Kode	375		17.1b	6.2	57.4
323	220	Lec Refrigeration	228	● ..	17.9	7.9	8.8
322	134	Logica	257	●-5	1.4	0.7	28.8
480	270	MK Elect	343	-3	15.4	4.5	12.5
195	128	Macro 4	185	● ..	1.4	0.8	28.0
433	203	Memec	325	● ..	4.3	1.3	17.4
82	51½	Micro BS	75	-5	0.7e	0.9	11.8
250	80	Micro Focus	113				
420	305	Microgen	380	+2	7.1	1.8	24.8
3⅝	2⅜	Mitel	£2¾	+⅛			
55	35	Muirhead Elect	41		0.1	0.2	30.3
65	39	Murray Elect	42		0.3	0.7	65.5
313	236	Newmark (Louis)	238	● ..	20.0	8.4	8.9
108½	74	NEI	75		7.5b	10.0	10.8
48	13	Oceonics	18		..	..	3.6
590	363	Oxford Instruments	530	+8	2.6	0.5	23.9
188	160	P-E International	168	● ..	4.0	2.4	..
32	18	Polcom	23		0.7b	3.0	11.4
164¼	114	Philips Fin 5¾%	£126	+1	575	4.6	..
17½	13	Philips Lamps N/V	£17	+⅛			
260	180	Pilco	237	● ..	8.2	3.5	10.6
190	120	Do 'A' Ltd Voting	152	● ..	8.2	5.4	6.8
246	162	Plessey	178	●-2	7.2	4.0	13.1
24½	15½	Do ADR 25	£17½	-⅛			
158	116	Pressac	128		3.1	2.4	18.7
50	22	Quest Automation	48		..	..	28.0
234	146	Racal Elect	148	-2	4.3	2.9	15.7
615	445	Scholes (GH)	585	● ..	32.6	5.5	11.8
54	30½	Sound Diffusion	35½	-½	0.7	2.0	8.9
168	95	STC	154	+8	2.1	1.4	14.3
216	142	Stone Intl	180	-2	8.0	4.3	22.9
134	78	System Designers	80		0.7	0.9	19.9
16¾	12½	TDK	£15¼				
253	170	Telephone Rentals	173	-2	10.4	6.0	13.6
135	35	Telemetrix	40		2.5	6.3	2.3
528	374	Thorn EMI	482	-2	26.0	5.4	38.8
259	170	Thorpe (FW)	243	+3	6.1	2.5	12.1
360	225	Tunstall	270		2.5	0.9	18.6
350	208	UEI	322	-4	7.9	2.5	22.2
275	170	Unitech	173	-2	9.3	5.4	12.8
295	135	Utd Leasing	135		5.7	4.2	4.6
190	118	Utd Scientific	148		8.1	5.5	12.2
575	380	VG Instruments	440	● ..	4.3	1.0	28.9
323	225	Volex	248		12.9	5.2	8.2
100	50	Western Selection	68		4.3b	6.3	17.1
103	75	Whitworth Elect	80		..	..	12.2
310	220	Wholesale Fitting	270	● ..	12.0	4.4	11.8
178	98	Wigfall (Henry)	150		3.6	2.4	..
FINANCE AND LAND							
248	206	Abingworth	210		1.8	0.9	..
184	128	Aitken Hume	143		3.2	2.2	6.0
179¾	71½	Antofagasta	137	● ..	6.9	5.0	..
211	109	Berkley Tech	211	r ..			
28	18	Camellia	£20		18.8	0.9	80.3
283	194	Candover	233	● ..	5.7	2.4	38.8
43	16	Centreway	28				
29½	17	Equity & Gen	28½	● ..	1.3	4.6	28.9
165	132	Ivory & Sime	138		6.8	4.9	18.9
194	153	Majedie	167	-1	8.9b	4.8	28.8
78	62	Nat Home Loans	72		1.9	2.6	..
95	76	Do 8%	278		800	10.3	..
148	114	Newmarket	124	-1	..	..	..
223	198	Templeton Gbrth	200	●+2	..	..	..

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1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
FOODS							
162	126	ASDA-MFI	154	●-4	4.5	2.9	18.8
37	21	Alpine Drinks	25		2.6	10.4	80.0
381	301	Argyll	323	●-5	11.1	3.4	15.3
247	183	Ass Food	233	-2	5.7	2.6	11.7
125	85	Assoc Fisheries	106		5.0	4.7	31.5
607	519	Avana	524	+5	17.1	3.3	18.8
400	240	Banks (Sidney C)	385		18.4	4.8	8.0
15¼	12	Barker & Dobson	14¾		..	..	23.8
360	230	Barr (AG)	320		13.1	4.1	8.1
201	145	Bassett Foods	186		9.7	5.2	18.0
108	63	Batleys	83		3.1	3.7	18.7
198	143	Bejam	150	-3	5.7	3.8	17.9
256	220	Barisford (S & W)	256	+1	..	..	..
150	78	Bluebird Conf	111		7.4	6.7	31.5
80	31	Borthwick	54		0.7	1.3	15.0
130	54	Br Vending (BVI)	90		2.0	2.2	18.7
192	142	Cadbury-Schweppes	178		8.7	4.9	20.8
183	145	Carrs Milling	173	-2	8.6	5.0	9.5
270	180	Cliffords Dairies	255	-10	11.0	4.3	14.6
241	142	Do 'A'	213	-10	11.0	5.2	12.2
280	160	Cullens	160		..	..	..
280	220	Dee	230	-5	10.3	4.5	18.6
201	151	Fisher (Albert)	187	-2	3.2	1.7	25.3
316	238	Fitch Lovell	281		15.0	5.7	18.1
167	120	Garlands	125	● ..	1.9	1.5	17.1
263	188	Glass Glover	225		6.8	2.6	17.2
156	126	Hazlewood Foods	156		2.3	1.5	22.4
225	188	Hillards	216		4.7	2.0	14.9
323	181	Hillsdown Hldgs	182	-5	6.3	3.2	16.0
112	75	Home Farm	90		4.6	5.1	8.1
115	115	Hunter Saphir	163	● ..	3.6	2.2	21.3
597	494	Iceland Frozen	584	●-3	8.9	1.7	28.2
282	220	Kwik Save	254	-4	7.4	2.9	18.7
115	85	Lees (John J)	115		2.9	2.5	14.1
120	50	Lovell (GF)	90		5.0	5.6	9.2
620	505	Low (Wm)	540		17.9	3.3	17.0
760	124	Matthews (Bernard)	226	●-7	4.4	1.9	21.2
130	83	Meat Trade Supp	130	● ..	7.6	5.8	28.6
236	150	Morrison (W)	218	● ..	2.0	0.9	22.4
257	210	Nichols (JN) (Vimto)	225	● ..	8.8	3.9	14.8
82½	51½	Normans	55½	-½	2.7	4.9	22.8
300	258	Nthn Foods	280	-2	11.4	4.1	13.9
190	152	Nurdin & Peacock	184	● ..	6.3	3.4	16.0
165	127	Park Foods	152	+1	6.0	3.9	12.2
270	157	RHM	242	+1	8.0	3.3	16.5
332	265	Rowntree Mac	300	-3	13.0	4.6	10.6
425	344	Sainsbury (J)	404	-6	7.9	2.0	23.5
183	122	Salvesen (Chris)	145		4.6	3.2	18.4
248	164	Somportex	233		..	..	..
658	520	Tate & Lyle	583	-5	32.1	5.7	11.4
70	40	Tavener Rutledge	55		..	..	8.0
420	285	Tesco	388	-5	8.3	2.1	22.1
313	216	Unigate	283		13.8	4.9	13.5
259	215	Utd Biscuits	228	-1	13.6b	6.0	12.3
161	138	Watson & Philip	160		8.7	5.4	20.0
HOTELS AND CATERERS							
158	83	Friendly Hotels	138		1.0	0.7	67.3
443	328	Grand Met	443		13.5	3.0	14.9
286	208	Kennedy Brookes	213		2.4	1.1	11.0
381	312	Ladbroke	351	● ..	16.8	4.8	15.8
595	447	Lon Park Hotels	530	● ..	14.3	2.7	18.1
100	78½	Mount Charlotte	87	●+½	2.1	2.4	14.3
105	67	Prince Of W Hotels	86		2.1	2.4	15.5
79	58½	Queens Moat	72½	● ..	2.7	3.7	15.9
405	348	Savoy Hotels 'A'	348		5.0	1.4	13.7
81	58	Stakis	65		1.8	2.8	18.0
208	139	Trusthouse Forte	152	-3	7.9	5.2	15.1
INDUSTRIALS A - D							
260	178	AAH	222	●+2	11.1	5.0	12.5
239	160	AGB Research	179	● ..	9.6	5.4	28.8
130	95	AIM	124	● ..	8.2	6.6	12.6
671	541	APV	556	●+1	25.7b	4.6	10.2
110	80	Aaronson	80		6.0	7.5	8.9
258	172	Adwest	213		12.2	5.7	10.5
349	207	Alexandra W'wear	320	+6	8.6	2.7	19.5
185	144	Alumasc	160		..	..	10.2
275	130	Amber Ind	248		12.1	4.9	11.5
403	150	Appledore	187		8.6	4.5	10.3
47	32	Arenson	43		0.6	1.4	8.7
32	23	Armour	25		0.6	2.4	6.8
440	365	Ash & Lacey	405	-5	28.9	7.1	11.8
91	39	Ashley	44	-1	..	..	28.8
510	185	Ass Br Eng 8%	197		11.4	5.8	..
63	37½	Aurora	65		1.4	2.2	10.1
375	253	Avon Rubber	375		8.6	2.3	13.5
59	40	Ayrshire Metal	45	+2	1.4	3.1	4.7
253	135	BBA	178	● ..	3.4b	1.9	24.7
453	380	BET Ord	380		22.9	6.0	13.8
88	62	BETEC	79	● ..	2.8	3.5	10.7
330	277½	BOC	298	-4	14.1	4.7	11.3
392	237	BTR	268	-3	9.8	3.3	20.6
202	148	Babcock	173	●+8	11.4	6.6	12.6
28¾	18	Bailey (CH)	17¼		..	..	57.5
423	260	Baird (Wm)	357		19.3	5.4	11.6
310	215	Baker Perkins	230	-1	10.7	4.7	8.5
202	123	Barro Ind	165	r ..	9.3b	5.6	13.2
174	112	Barham	139		3.6	2.6	16.4
495	180	Barlow Rand	298		..	..	..
57	40	Barrow Hepburn	45	● ..	3.6	8.0	10.7
305	180	Barton Transport	270		25.7e	9.5	8.3
32	17	Baynes (Charles)	17	● ..	1.9b	11.2	..
241	138	Beeson Clarke	175	-1	10.7	6.1	12.0
70	47	Beauford	69		3.9	6.2	8.8
228	151	Beazer (CH)	182	-2	6.7b	3.7	13.2
443	318	Beecham	413	-2	17.1	4.1	17.2
		Bellair Cosmetics					
50	19	Benlox	44	●-2	1.6	3.6	37.9
256	229	Berisford (S&W)	254	●+1	..	..	..
148	86	Berisforde	108	+2	9.3b	8.6	8.8
128	100	Bespak	108	● ..	6.1	5.6	27.8
552	214	Bestobell	485		8.6n	1.8	10.2
520	310	Beswood	435	+15	8.6	2.0	32.4
335	220	Bibby (J)	220		9.8	4.4	13.4
205	140	Biddle	190		3.4	1.8	36.8
123	76	Billam (J)	113		5.0	4.4	12.9
153	84½	Birmid Qualcast	118½		6.1	5.2	11.1
200	105	Birmingham Mint	178		8.9	5.0	10.6
174	124	Black Arrow	148		7.1	4.9	9.7
258	178	Black (Peter)	243		2.6	1.1	20.0
81	34	Blackwood Hodge	45½	●-1	1.4b	3.0	7.4
403	189	Blue Arrow	378	+2	2.0	0.5	25.1
340	187	Bodycote	340		9.6	2.8	13.7
385	286	Booker	328		17.9	5.3	14.6
288	228	Boots	232	-2	10.1	4.4	15.1
24½	8½	Boulton (Wm)	16¼	-¼			
353	254	Bowater	326	●-2	13.6	4.2	15.8
22¾	16½	Bowater Inc	£20¾		..	..	..
130	75	Braithwaite Grp	120		..	..	..
383	248	Brammer	258	● ..	17.9	6.9	11.4
97	62	Bravway	92	●+5	3.2	3.5	9.7
51	32½	Brengreen	47		2.1	4.5	24.2
194	98	Brent Walker	176	-1	7.9	4.5	13.6
50	35	Bridgend Gp	37		0.5	1.4	24.7
199	110	Bridon	123	●-2	7.1	5.8	7.8
240	136	Bridport-Gundry	211		7.4	3.5	16.5
205	115	Br Bldg & Eng App	205		1.4	0.7	..
303	168	BSG Group	245	-6	11.1	4.5	10.6
143	97	Br Syphon	107	-1	4.3	4.0	11.4
360	188	Br Vita	343	●+3	11.0	3.2	14.6
423	286	Broken Hill	379	+4			
145	34	Bromsgrove Inds	83	r -2	1.9	3.0	10.1
34	15	Bronx Eng	18		0.7		
49	25	Brooke Tool	37		2.0	5.4	7.5
180	142	Brown & Tawse	148	-2	10.3	7.0	9.0
31	19	Brown (John)	27		..	..	..
74	48	Bruntons (Muss)	71		4.3	6.1	14.0
303	200	Bullough	277		12.4	4.5	13.2
288	139	Burgess	241		3.6	1.5	22.9
89	59	Burns-Anderson	78		4.0	5.1	16.9
106	58	Camford Eng	87		2.5e	2.9	14.8
58	25½	Caparo Ind	42	●	2.4	5.7	34.7
80	53	Cape Ind	72		2.9e	4.0	11.1
480	253	Carclo Eng	480	+10	21.4	4.7	11.1
120	55	Castings	96	-3	4.3	4.5	8.9
39½	25½	Celestion	31		1.4	4.6	14.5
8	4½	Central & Sheer	5		..	..	10.0
25	13	Centreway Ind	20	+1	..	..	9.5
99	45	CH Ind	87		3.4	3.9	10.8
88	65½	Chamberlain Ph	83		5.8	7.0	12.1
105	56	Chamberlin & Hill	98		5.0	5.2	10.5
283	193	Charter Cons	270	+2	16.4	6.1	14.8
640	510	Chemring	580		20.7	3.7	12.2
358	246	Christies Int	253	-15	7.8	3.1	17.1
57	29	Christy Hunt	30		..	..	10.2
250	132	Clarke (Clement)	238		8.5	2.7	65.8
143	96	Clayton Son	138		10.0	7.2	9.2
520	380	Cohen (A)	480		15.4	3.1	..
216	141	Cororoll Gp	201	-1	7.1	3.5	15.6
20½	8	Combined Tech	8	r ..			
112	71	Concentric	96	-2	5.8	5.8	13.1
31	24½	Cont Stationery	31		1.3	1.4	23.1
280	74	Cook (Wm)	220				
570	356	Cookson	440	-3	11.5	2.6	12.0
80	32	Copson (F)	58	● ..	2.5	4.3	28.8
115	63½	Cosalt	86	-4	4.6	5.3	13.3
425	331	Courtney Pope	391		14.3	3.7	13.0
81	40	Cowan De Groot	64		3.6	5.6	16.0
174	121	Crest Nicholson	146	-3	6.8	4.7	11.9
224	156	Crown House	203	+2	11.3	5.6	11.5
218½	112½	Cummins 3¼%	£159½	+10	375	2.4	..
60	32	DSC	54	● ..	0.7	1.3	..
315	207½	DPCE	325	● ..	2.8	1.2	25.0
305	208	Dalgety	285	-3	18.6	7.0	11.0
23½	17½	Dana	£19⅜	-⅛			
80	45	Davies & Met 'A'	55		3.2	5.8	..
273	178	Davies & Newman	273		14.3	5.2	8.7
137	92	Davy	121	-2	6.9	5.7	8.7
365	233	De La Rue	315	-5	15.7	5.0	11.6
220	159	Delta	162	● ..	9.5	5.9	8.0
278	168	Denford Stamping	273	-6	11.4	4.2	13.7
316	168	Desoutter	215		10.4	4.8	8.9
35	17	Dialde Heel	21½		0.6	2.8	24.3
371	180	Diploma	218		7.5	3.4	13.5
102½	83	Dobson Park	89½		7.4	8.4	12.7
110	88	Dom	93	-1	7.1	8.6	16.9
123	95	Dominion Int	108	-1	7.9	7.3	12.0
150	25	Dwek	118	●-2	2.1	..	..
97	68	Dyson (J&J)	80		6.4	8.0	14.8
86	68	Do 'A'	68		6.4	9.4	12.6
E - K							
313	248	Eastern Prod	303		14.3	4.7	7.6
221	158	Edbro	181		10.7	5.9	11.8
277	214	EIS	263		9.9	3.8	14.4
43½	29½	Elbief	37	● ..	2.7	7.1	17.2
183	102½	Eleco	130	-3	7.9b	6.1	13.0
32¾	17¾	Electrolux (AE) 'B'	£32¾	+2¼			
104	52	Elliott (B)	74	-1	4.3	5.8	18.0
29¾	18¾	Emhart	£22¼	+¼	136	6.2	..
361	262	English China Clay	302	-2	16.1	5.3	12.0
28¾	19½	Ericsson (LM) 'B'	£25	+1¾	9.0	0.4	..
164	134	Erskine House	148		0.5	0.3	14.4
177½	117½	European Ferries	118	-1	6.8	5.8	8.7
148	112	Do 5% Prf	143	+3	7.1	5.0	..
342	158	Evered	214	-2	5.7	2.7	11.8
214	124	Expamet	168	-2	8.9	5.3	14.3
423	312	Extel	328	-5	14.3	4.4	14.9
55	22	Falcon	43	-1	..	..	95.6
42	28	Feedex Agric Ind	32		2.1	6.6	8.3
143	108	Fenner (JH)	129		7.1	5.5	20.3
76	49	Fife Indmar	48		5.0	10.2	14.2
850	468	Fisons	568	-2	8.4	1.5	23.3
67	36	Fitzwilton	56		1.0	1.7	..
124	84	Flexello CaW	88		5.6	6.4	8.6
69	28	Fobel	34		0.3	0.9	..
123	81	Fogarty	83		6.1	7.3	10.8
41½	27½	Folkes Group N/V	32½	● ..	2.0	6.2	7.5
199	157	Fothergill & Harvey	179		12.8	7.0	13.3
67	46	French (Thomas)	48		4.1	8.5	84.1
131	84	GEI Int	92		8.4	9.1	11.7
385	238	GKN	280	●-4	17.9	7.2	6.4
310	280	GR	300		10.0	3.3	8.3
118	60	Garton Eng	92		5.0	5.4	8.9
156	89	Gestetner	92		2.5	2.1	8.9
150	111	Glaves	122		4.7	3.9	13.9
11¼	756½	Glaxo	945	-2	15.7	1.7	25.4
344	194	Glynwed	270	-2	12.9	4.8	13.5
505	250	Goring Kerr	280		15.5	5.5	11.1
182	107	Grampian Hldgs	158	-5	5.7	3.7	15.8
312	209	Granada	286	+2	10.8	3.8	13.0
93	59½	Habit Precision	79		2.8	3.3	15.8
232	134	Hall Eng	200	●-2	12.5	6.3	9.4
182	122	Hall (M)	122	-1	8.4	6.2	8.2
285	175	Hallite	185	-5	14.3	7.7	11.5
280	230	Halma	250	-1	2.4	1.0	27.8
45	29½	Hampson Ind	45	+2	1.6	3.6	12.7
49	20	Hanimex	48				
201	141	Hanson	181		5.7	3.0	18.7
195	145	Do 8% Cnv	218½		800	4.3	..
119	96	Do 5½% Pf	111½	+1½	8.2	7.4	..
127¼	115¼	Do 10%	212½	+¼	0	8.1	..
280	133	Hargreaves	249		7.9	3.3	18.7
275	175	Harris (Philip)	235		13.2	5.2	12.8
629	421	Hawker Siddeley	433	-10	20.7	4.8	8.5
150	90	Hawley	108	● ..	2.7	2.8	8.2
205	81	Hay (Norman)	170		5.4	3.2	30.7
221	140	Hepworth Ceramic	185	● ..	10.8	5.7	15.5
201	98	Hestair	161	-7	6.1	3.8	18.8
165	85	Hewitt (J)	165	●+10	4.7	2.8	14.5
165	122	Highgate & Job	140	-10	..	..	36.6
91	62	Hollis Bros	73	-3	4.3n	5.9	24.3
108	68	Holt Lloyd	94	+4	5.7	6.1	13.5
287	148	Hopkinsons	286	-1	10.7	3.7	11.3
120	86	Howden	92	-3	5.5	6.0	7.5
320	234	Hunting Assoc	289		11.4	3.8	9.2
115	86	Hunting Group	108		8.6	8.0	8.2
353	207½	Hutchsn Whampoa	353	+6			
191	119	IMI	155	● ..	7.9	5.1	12.9
313	180	Isceron	180	● ..	2.1	1.2	21.2
295	245	Jacksons Bourne	250		8.6	3.4	18.6
158	98½	Jardine Math	158	+2			
615	473	Johnson-Cleaners	530		30.4	5.7	14.4
243	133	Johnson Matthey	218		3.6	1.7	14.7
44½	22½	Johnson & FB	30½	-½	..	..	15.3
345	235	Johnston	303	+18	10.7	3.5	11.8
140	86	Jones & Shipman	102	●-2	5.5	5.4	6.8
132	87	Jourdan (Thomas)	108		5.5	5.1	14.4
29	21	Kalamazoo	24		1.4	5.8	9.8
38	25	Kalon	31	-½	1.8	5.8	21.4
325	188	Kelsey Ind	280		11.4	4.1	13.6
130	105	Kennedy Smale	123		5.7	4.6	13.2
298	230	Kershaw (A)	268	● ..	21.4	8.0	22.4
215	123	Kleen-E-Ze	200		8.8	4.3	17.3
L - R							
38	22	LDH	37	● ..	0.8	2.2	9.6
158½	116	Lep	120		3.9	3.3	23.6
333	199	Laird	212	●-1	9.3	4.4	8.3
75	42	Lawtex	60		2.8	4.8	8.8
78½	41	Lee (Arthur)	64½	-½	3.3	5.1	8.2
140	69	Lilleshall	130	-7	3.2	2.5	25.1
98	64	Linread	69	● ..	3.6	5.2	5.5
73	53	Lloyd (FH)	67½	-1	5.4	8.0	7.8
35	23	Locker (T)	27½		1.9	6.9	10.0
240	173	Lon Midland	209	-3	14.2	6.8	11.7
145	95	Do Dfd	121	-2	..	..	..
81	58½	Lon & Nthn	76½	+1	7.4	9.7	13.8
236	159	Lon Intl	216	+2	6.6	3.0	16.3
240	159½	Low & Bonar	240	a +5	7.5b	3.1	15.6
423	305	ML Hldgs	406		11.4b	2.8	15.3
119	64	MS Int	96	-1	2.9	3.0	9.2
40	31	MY Holdings	43½	-2	1.8b	4.1	13.9
393	255	Macarthys Gp	306	+2	..	..	..
160	121	Macfarlane	131	● ..	3.7	2.8	17.4
79	43	Mclellan (P&W)	49	● ..	2.7	5.5	9.1
288	185	McKechnie	222	● ..	14.3	6.4	10.7
130	78	Magnolia	105	● ..	5.5	5.2	9.8
710	486	Manchester Ship	683		8.6	1.3	23.1
79	52	Manganese Bronze	61		4.3	7.0	7.2
88	61	Marling	68	-1	2.5	3.7	8.2
143	85	Marshall (Loxley)	104	●-4	5.7	5.5	8.0
183	105	Metal Box	158		6.8	4.3	..
194	128	Metal Closures	143	●+7	9.6	6.7	21.4
91	65	Metalrax	72	●-1	3.3	4.6	12.2
78½	45	Michell Cotts	48½		6.1	12.6	16.6
125	70	Michell Somers	104	-1	5.5	5.3	11.9
198	163	Molins	185	-3	11.3	6.1	9.6
318	212	Morgan Crucible	311	+43	12.6	4.1	17.4
42	20½	Neepsend	29½	●+½	0.1	0.3	15.3
216	135	Neill (J)	140	+2	10.0	7.1	5.0
41	28	Newman Inds	32	● ..	1.4	4.4	48.5
153	92	Newman Tonks	149		10.3	6.9	12.4
133	68	Noble & Lund	116	● ..	1.0	0.9	37.4
65	38	Nolton	50		1.4	2.8	58.2
289	188	Norcros	225	-3	13.3	6.0	10.7
258	185	Office Elect Mach	188		12.1	6.4	7.7
448	247	Parker Knoll 'A'	398	● ..	17.1	4.3	10.5
9¼	525	Parrish JT	£9¼				
603	383	Pearson	533	●-5	15.4	2.9	17.8
36	11	Peek	38	+1	..	..	85.7
143	88	Peerless	138	● ..	8.0	5.8	18.7
674	332	Pegler-Hattersley	609		28.6	4.7	13.0
520	140	Pentland Ind	470	●+10	2.0	0.4	28.6
14	775	Photo-Me	£12¼	+¼	7.5	0.6	31.7
463	311	Pilkington	446	+6	19.3	4.3	11.8
96	51	Plastic Constr	75		4.1	5.5	13.1
365	198	Portals	280		10.8	4.2	11.2
328	215	Porter Chadburn	328	●+6	2.9	0.9	40.0
314	238	Powell Duffryn	280		21.7	7.8	20.3
184	92	Prestwich Hldgs	108		1.0	0.9	22.9
190	119	RHP	160	+1	6.4	4.0	11.9
158	123	Radiant Metal	135		3.6	2.7	21.0
589	421	Rank Org	509	●+10	22.5	4.4	18.0
228	116	Ransome Sims	154	●-2	7.4	4.8	12.5
138	98	Ratcliffs (Gt Bridge)	93	●-2	1.7	1.8	3.4
800	605	Reckitt & Colman	777		23.9	3.1	16.8
245	118	Redfearn Glass	185		2.9	1.6	11.0
411	200	Reed Executive	378	● ..	6.4	1.7	17.0
280	182½	Reed Int	268	-3			
173	132	Relyon	186	-2	8.9	4.2	13.8
91	50	Renold	51	+1	2.9	5.7	7.1
125	86	Ressmor	123	● ..	6.4	5.2	13.2
520	345	Reuters	505	+2	5.4	1.1	38.2
40½	21	Rexmore	34½		1.4	4.1	11.1
160	110	Ricardo Eng	134	● ..	4.6	3.4	10.9
90	53	Richard (Leics)	63	● ..	5.0	8.0	8.2
58	19	Richardson West	48½	-½	..	..	21.1
152	83	Robertson Res	95		3.6	3.8	11.0
361	151	Robinson (Thomas)	323	+6	..	..	44.4
55	30	Rockware	41		..	..	9.8
150	105	Ropner	106	● ..	9.3	8.9	7.2
146	103	Do 'A'	103	● ..	9.3	9.0	7.1
3	9½	Rotaprint	2¼		..	..	1.1
182	116	Rotork	129	●+1	8.1	6.3	8.7
120	83	Russell (A)	83		2.3	2.8	26.0
S - Z							
39	17	SI	24½	-1	2.3e	9.4	5.2
274	190	Sale Tilney	198	●-2	10.0	5.1	11.6
99	85	Sandhurst	81	●+2	1.8	2.2	68.1
90	49	Savile Gordon (J)	72	●+1	3.7	5.1	12.6
481	186½	Scapa	225	+10	8.6	3.8	10.7
144	103	Scott Greenham	142		4.7	3.3	14.2
195	120	Scot Heritable	148	●	4.6	3.1	12.9
170	94	Scott & Robertson	158		4.0	2.5	16.0
164	122	Securicor	128		1.4	1.1	33.4
154	108	Do 'A'	123	+5	1.4	1.1	32.1
164	98	Security Serv	120		2.8	2.3	23.7
53½	29	Senior Eng	49		2.5	5.1	14.8
130	75	Shiloh	118	-2	3.9	3.3	8.1
158	103	Sidlaw	115		12.9	11.2	7.1
980	703	Siebe	755	-5	20.1	2.7	13.2
53½	32	Silentnight	49	-1	1.4	2.9	87.5
303	180	Simon Eng	225		12.4	5.5	7.8
149	83½	Six Hundred	97	-1	8.3	8.6	11.4
500	388	Sketchley	443		25.0	5.6	17.1
35⅝	28⅝	SKF 'B'	£34⅝	+½			
132	93	Smith & Nephew	113	-1	3.5	3.1	19.3
41	30	Smith Whitworth	38	● ..	0.4	1.1	24.3
326	228	Smiths Ind	298	-1	5.6	2.9	18.5
225	163	Soper (JW)	178		8.6	4.8	13.6
194	128	Spirax-Sarco	154	-4	7.4	4.8	11.4
118	80	Stag Furniture	80		7.9	9.9	7.9
108	43	Star Comp	93	●+3	1.4	1.5	8.4
610	345	Staveley	505		25.0	5.0	11.5
520	354	Steetley	433	●+3	19.3	4.5	13.2
120	90	Sterling Ind	90		3.9	4.3	21.9
253	170	Stockdale	235	-½	17.1	7.3	5.0
98	66	Stonehill	78	-1	9.6	12.3	7.5
210	143	Stothert & Pitt	143		..	..	4.2
224	183	Sunlight Serv	211		14.3b	6.8	12.6
240	150	Sutar	210		6.0	2.9	21.9
149	90	Swire Pacific 'A'	148	a +5			
43	12	Sycamore	25		..	..	..
221	160	Syltone	180		14.3	7.9	10.4
587	348	TI	429	●+2	20.0	4.7	14.2
196	115	TNT	155				
250	80	TSL Thermal	81		4.3	5.3	4.2
535	320	Tace	340		10.6	3.1	15.9
95½	33	Takeda Chem	295½	+½			
8¼	5	Talbex	5		..	..	8.2
95	64	Tefios	84	●-2	4.4	5.2	10.0
170	119	Tex Hldgs	122		6.4	5.2	10.7
118	91	Third Mile	115	-1	3.1	2.7	12.8
285	89	Thomson T-Line	271		..	..	..
338	203	Tomkins (FH)	303	●-2	3.2	1.7	25.1
349	248	Trafalgar House	272	-3	16.8	6.5	7.4
243	200	Transcontinental	214		13.7	6.4	10.2
195	124	Transport Dev	180	●-4	9.8	6.2	15.5
22	9½	Tranwood	17		..	..	31.5
90	58	Triefus	65		0.1	0.2	33.7
144	78	Triplex	138		2.9	2.1	14.7
241	75	Turner & Newall	185	●+2	10.7	6.5	6.3
125	75	Unigroup	98		1.6	1.6	13.0
19⅛	13¼	Unilever	£18⅝	+⅜	58.2	2.9	17.3
80¾	58¼	Unilever (NV)	£80	+¾			
286	212	Valor	243		7.3	2.8	13.7
540	283	Vickers	377	●-2	20.0	5.3	10.9
130	102	Victor Products	112		7.1	6.3	9.0
195	120	Vinten	137	-2	2.3	1.7	23.8
204¾	134½	Volkswagen	£198½	-2			
183	138	VSEL	140		8.1	5.8	8.3
205	118	WSL	138		..	..	68.2
165	121	Wade Potteries	123		4.4	3.6	12.4
345	158	Wagon Ind	228		12.1	5.3	11.8
66½	29	Walker (C&W)	58	+1½	2.1	3.6	22.4
144	88	Waterford Glass	120	●+2	1.9	1.6	17.8
198	160	Wardshams	185		5.1	3.1	21.0
588	239	Wedgwood	568	+115	14.3	2.5	18.8
154	89	Weir	90	-1	4.5	5.0	7.0
281	174	Wellcome	191	-4	3.0	1.8	25.5
50½	14½	Wellman	37	-1½	..	..	15.9
110	55	Westland	78		4.3	5.5	27.1
118	78	Weatz	107		7.9	7.4	14.8
295	210	Whatman Reeve	280	●	3.8	1.5	18.3
124	82	Whessoe	100		7.9	7.9	8.8
283	177	Whitecroft	227		14.3b	6.3	11.9
188	125	Wilkes (James)	134	● ..	9.6	7.2	8.8
740	385	Williams Hldgs	575	●-10	20.0	3.5	24.3
150	120	Wills Gp	128		8.6	6.7	94.2
589	428	Wolseley	528		15.0	2.9	16.8
64	36	Wood (Arthur)	67		3.6	5.4	17.0
46	28	Wood (SW)	38	-2	..	..	13.5
83	43½	Woodhouse & Rix	68	●-1	4.3b	6.2	10.9
89	58	Wyndham Eng	75		2.6	3.5	8.7
178	105	Young (H)	105	-3	5.1	4.9	10.8
INSURANCE							
226	177	Abbey Life	188		9.9	5.3	
28	22	Alex & Alex	£25¾	-¼	100	3.8	
888	554½	Allianz Vers	£817	+17	..	..	
29¾	23	Am Gen	£25¾	+¼	89.0	3.3	
405	223	Bradstock	255		8.5	2.4	34.9
917	797	Britannic	802	-2	44.7	5.6	
336	228	Com Union	277	●	17.4	6.3	
301	228	Equity & Law	286		9.6	3.6	
431	213	FAI	305				
854	701	Gen Accident	804	-6	34.3	4.3	20.2
894	720	GRE	788		42.5	5.4	22.9
706	427	Heath C E	471	+22	34.9	7.4	7.0
349	287	Hogg Robinson	337	-2	13.7	4.1	15.6
288	222	Legal & Gen	238	●-2	12.3	3.2	30.2
224	173	London & Man	188	-2	8.0	4.8	7.4
443	257	Lon Utd Inv	433	●-3	24.6	5.7	12.6
88⅝	29¾	Marsh & McLen	£46⅜	●+¾	220	4.7	..
285	220	Minet	238	●-3	11.4	4.8	11.4
348	223	PWS	310	+5	12.8	4.2	20.1
15⅝	12	Pearl	£14⅝		68.1	4.6	..
942	716	Prudential	787	●-5	38.6	4.9	51.9
453	361	Refuge	381	●-2	20.4	5.4	..
987	762	Royal	779		38.8	5.0	63.9
415	321	Sedgwick Gp	348	●-3	17.1b	4.9	16.9
474	346	Stewart Wr'son	474	●+10	15.7	3.3	19.2
445	380	Sturge Hldgs	380		10.0n	2.6	20.1
772	620	Sun Alliance	674	+5	27.5	4.1	60.7
927	772	Sun Life	882	●-2	35.4	4.0	..
650	120	Trade Indemnity	193	●	5.3	2.7	7.0
474	394	Willis Faber	472	●+10	12.5	2.6	22.4

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1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
LEISURE							
144	88	Barr & WA 'A'	125	●-5	10.0	8.0	9.8
220	128	Boosey & Hawkes	176		..	..	28.2
184	98	Brent Walker	176	-1	7.9	4.5	13.8
58	34	Campari	58	-1	1.4	2.4	15.5
225	158	Chrysalis	164		8.0	4.9	10.6
410	325	First Leisure	358	● ..	9.3	2.6	18.4
62½	49	GRA	54		..	..	45.4
81	60	Horrburger Brooks	80		..	..	7.8
128	93	Horizon Travel	122	●+1	6.3	5.2	5.8
131	94	Int Leisure	114	-1	7.1	6.2	10.6
103	32	Juliana's Hldgs	50		1.8	3.6	19.5
180	137	Lee Int	165	●-1	3.9	2.4	14.9
169	130	Medminster	145	+5	..	..	..
361	278	Pleasurama	313		11.1	3.5	12.9
403	328	Really Useful	393	-10	16.1	4.1	16.2
64	39	Riley Leisure	40		..	..	22.1
228	131	Saga Holidays	131		5.8	5.0	11.1
380	152	Samuelson Gp	152	-3	3.4	2.2	9.0
143	119	Stanley Leisure	143		4.6	3.2	..
74	51	Tottenham Hotspur	73		..	..	13.2
185	128½	Zetters	183		7.1	3.9	10.7
MINING							
13¾	3½	Ang Amer Coal	£4½	-⅛	..	..	58.8
11¼	830	Ang Am	£10¾	+2	54.0	5.2	..
83	31	Am Gold	£33	+2	448	8.1	..
39	33	AAIT	£33½	+¾	271	8.1	..
40	22	Anglovaal	£26		142	3.8	..
41	22	Do 'A'	£26		142	3.8	..
188	120	Ayer Hitam	130		47.5	36.5	..
425	298	Blyvoors	375		79.0	21.1	..
195	80	Bracken	145		28.0	37.9	..
21⅝	780	Buffels	£14	-⅛	282	18.7	..
358	228	CRA	347	-4	..	..	..
88	39	Carr Boyd	64	+3	..	..	..
637	408	Cons Goldfields	637	●+15	35.0	5.5	18.1
253	314	De Beers	600	+7	16.0	3.0	..
248	105	Deelkraal	220		4.0	1.8	..
8⅝	4¼	Doornfontein	£6¾	+¼	92.0	10.4	..
13¾	7	Driefontein	£11¾	+⅝	126	10.7	..
8¾	2⅝	Durban	£6¾	+¼	..	..	..
280	160	E Daggas	270	-3	..	..	..
594	288	Elandsrand	505	+12	12.0	2.4	..
225	129	El Oro	203	● ..	6.6	3.3	14.1
205	85	Elsburg	200	+7	14.0	7.0	..
380	200	E Rand Gold	338	-12	28.0	8.3	..
5	2¼	E Rand Prop	£5		..	..	..
8¾	4⅝	FS Cons	£6⅝		..	..	..
213	98	FS Dev	185		..	..	..
75	17	Geevor Tin	27		..	..	1.0
8⅝	4¼	Gencor	£7¼		60.0	7.7	..
10½	6	Gen Mining	£9½		87.0	9.2	..
10⅝	5¼	GFSA	£9¾	+⅜	48.0	5.0	..
708	313	GM Kalgoorli	708	+5	..	..	..
62	35	Gopeng	38		20.9	52.6	..
148	85	Greenwich Res	138	-4	..	..	..
375	165	Grootvlei	280		54.0	19.3	..
158	91	Hampton Areas	145		5.4	3.7	32.8
9⅝	4¼	Harmony	£8½	+¼	62.8	7.3	..
408	175	Hartley	363		17.0	4.7	..
87½	47½	Johnnies	£78	+1	345	4.4	..
12½	5¼	Kinross	£9¾	+⅜	89.0	9.5	..
6⅝	2⅝	Kloof	£5¾	a +⅛	40.0	6.8	..
160	65	Leslie	110	+7	28.0	26.4	..
13⅝	5¼	Libanon	£12	+⅜	115	9.6	..
475	170	Lorraine	460	+7	..	..	..
157	64	MIM	110	-2	..	..	..
28	15	Malaysian Mining	20		..	..	..
123	80	Marievale	100	+2	17.0	17.0	..
64	14½	Metals Exp	64	+1	..	..	..
35	5½	Mhangura	8		..	..	..
9⅝	4½	Middle Wits	£9½		..	..	..
655	460	Minorco	575	+25	10.0	1.7	..
5⅝	2½	New Wits	£4⅝		23.0	5.1	..
142	73	Nth Broken Hill	121	-6	..	..	..
70	25½	Nth Kalgurli	69	-1	..	..	..
24⅞	10⅞	Orange Free	£23	+⅛	..	..	..
128	65	Pahang Tin	90		..	..	..
285	204	Peko Wallsend	280	-5	..	..	..
25	8⅝	Rand Mines Ltd	£13½		..	..	..
445	170	Rand Mines Prop	287		12.0	4.2	7.8
78½	16	Randfontein	279½	+1½	351	7.5	..
374	225	Renison	374	+3	..	..	..
791	511	RTZ	682	+3	31.4	4.5	9.2
8½	4⅝	Rustenburg	£8	+⅛	28.0	3.3	60.3
10½	5⅝	St Helena 9½	+½		125	13.1	..
188	66	SA Land	128	+8	18.0	14.1	..
31	14¾	Southvaal	£29¾	+½	118	4.0	..
656	273	Stilfontein	500	-5	..	..	..
138	70	Sungei Besi	70		..	..	..
138	73	Tronoh	88		..	..	..
588	300	Unisel	533	+15	48.0	8.6	..
62½	31½	Vaal Reefs	£50½	+2¼	556	9.2	..
650	283	Ventersport	650	+45	54.0	8.3	..
138	50	Vlakfontein	133	-5	15.0	11.3	..
90	35	Vogels	54		4.3	8.0	7.1
17	10½	Wankie Colliery	14		..	..	..
638	288	Welkom	588	+33	67.0	11.2	..
313	128	Western Areas	300	+5	23.0	7.7	..
30⅝	15	Western Deep	£28⅝	+⅝	171	6.0	..
219	114	Western Mining	217	-1	3.0	1.4	..
288	108	West Rand Cons	288	+18	12.0	4.2	..
225	80	Whim Creek	221	-4	..	..	..
17⅝	7½	Winkelhaak	£13	-⅛	175	13.5	..
58	20	Wit Nigel	37	+2	1.1	3.0	..
18½	10¾	Zambia Copper	13½		..	..	..
71	38	Zandpan	68		3.7	5.9	..
MOTORS AND AIRCRAFT							
231	81	AC	223	+2	..	..	..
251	136	AE	217		10.7b	4.9	10.5
20½	7	Alexanders	13½	-½	..	..	28.5
183	75½	Appleyard	138	● ..	8.8b	6.3	8.4
141	70½	Armstrong	114		3.9	3.4	8.5
53½	24½	BSG	50½		1.7b	3.4	15.5
		Bluemel Bros					
314	185	Bramall (CD)	274		11.2	4.1	15.0
608	431	Br Aerospace	468	●-2	23.4	5.0	9.9
151	90	Br Car Auctions	136		5.0	3.7	14.9
273	168	Caffyns	208		7.9	3.8	..
215	79	Cowie (T)	182	-2	5.7	3.1	8.5
133	89	Davis (Godfrey)	98		6.4	6.5	8.9
241	172	Dowty	205	-2	7.9	3.9	14.1
115	36	ERF	70		..	..	4.6
357	253	FR Group	327	-2	4.6	1.4	21.9
213	125	Ford Motor	193	+3	7.0	3.6	..
96	66	Gates (Frank G)	96		4.3	4.5	11.9
298	211	General Motor	239	+1	25.0	10.5	..
106	51	Glenfield Lawrence	66		..	..	..
114	68	Hartwells	81		3.8	4.7	9.9
595	375	Honda Motor	591	+2	3.8	0.7	..
530	335	Jaguar	535	●-5	12.7	2.4	11.3
142	72	Jessups	113		6.1	5.4	8.8
126	85	Kwik-Fit	117	-1	3.4	2.9	18.5
402	269	Lex	322		15.1	4.7	18.3
205	90	Lookers	181	-2	7.6	4.2	11.5
653	470	Lucas	481	-12	15.7	3.3	9.7
141	111	Perry gp	120	+1	6.4	5.2	11.0
91	68	Plaxtons (GB)	68		6.4	9.4	9.3
102	51	Quick (HJ)	92	●	4.3	4.7	12.9
71	28	Rover	35		..	..	..
77	43	Supra	69	●-1	3.4	4.9	13.2
110	65	Wadham	78		4.3	5.5	27.1
83	32	Woodhead (Jonas)	81	-2	1.4	1.7	13.5
NEWSPAPERS AND PUBLISHERS							
172	180	Accord	160	●	4.4	2.8	19.5
260	195	Assoc Book	215	●	8.2	3.8	13.8
358	220	Assoc Newspaper	313		6.3	2.0	17.1
315	250	Black (A&C)	305	● ..	14.6	4.8	18.8
720	515	Bristol	660		38.6	5.8	18.5
505	440	Collins (Wm)	440	● ..	11.4	2.6	19.8
383	295	Do 'A'	301	● ..	11.4	3.8	13.6
146	78	EMAP 'A'	131	● ..	3.1	2.4	23.4
378	300	Haynes Publishing	300	● ..	20.0	6.7	15.5
240	85	Home Counties	220	● ..	12.5	5.7	14.0
380	185	Independent	295		12.0	4.1	..
582	404	Int Thomson	582	+13	14.0	2.4	15.4
18	820	News International	218	●+½	12.9	0.7	..
680	445	Octopus	490	●-5	10.4	2.1	17.4
138	112	Portsmouth Sund	132		5.7	4.3	23.7
455	220	Trinity Intl	435	● ..	22.8	5.2	12.5
493	280	Utd Newspapers	385	●-3	22.9	6.3	14.6
OIL							
126	82	Ampol	100				
30	9	Aran Energy	15				
33	10	Atlantic Resources	14				
93	58	Aus Oil & Gas	80				
695	516	Br Petroleum	697	●	48.6	7.0	7.5
17½	6	Bristol Oil	16½		..	..	..
398	323	Br Borneo	386		28.8	7.4	13.7
83	18	Bryson	77	-1	..	..	..
210	56	Brittoil	133		9.3	7.0	3.6
419	259	Burmah	358	-2	18.2	5.1	11.0
103	48	Carless Capel	57	-1	3.9	6.8	10.6
150	84	Century	124	-1	7.1	5.7	9.1
33	10	Charterhall	29½	-½	..	..	67.0
71	30	Clyde	44		2.1	4.8	5.3
152	93	Enterprise	144	●	12.1	8.4	5.6
95	29	Fleetland	40		..	..	..
88	24	Gerber Energy	65	+1	..	..	..
350	200	Global N Res	335	+10	..	..	..
58	28	Goal Pet	30		1.4	4.7	11.3
120	39	GI Western Res	86	-3	2.3	5.0	..
11½	6⅝	Hamilton	£8½	+⅛	..	..	..
152	98	Hunting	138		13.6	9.9	5.1
510	271	IC Gas	491		23.9	4.9	12.6
7½	4½	ICC Oil					
84	22	Inoco	34				
38	4½	Jackson	7½	-½			
29	10	KCA Drilling	10				
249	85	LASMO	125		17.4	13.9	3.4
300	99½	Do Units	165	●+15	12.7	38.0	4.2
21	8	New Court	7	r -1			
48	15	New London Oil	22				1.8
7	2½	Offshore	3½	+¼			
28½	11½	Oil Search	28½	-½			
110	28	Petranol	32	-2	2.1	6.6	2.8
143	60	Petrocon	60		4.3	7.2	7.5
32½	21	Premier	30½	-½			19.6
68	48	Royal Dutch	£63	+1	338	3.6	
970	653	Shell	925	●+10	51.4	5.5	9.1
185	123	Sikolene	123	-11	8.6	7.0	19.0
97	18	Sovereign	34				2.2
23½	11½	TR Energy	13				11.8
17	6½	Target	17				
153	41	Tricentrol	52	-2	7.1e	13.7	2.3
280	80	Triton Europe	138	+2			20.5
218	125	Ultramar	161	● +1½	7.5	4.7	5.0
59	28½	Woodside	43½	+1½			
OVERSEAS TRADERS							
158	127	Challenger	151		10.0	6.6	13.3
107	75	Finlay (James)	81		5.9	7.3	..
385	325	Harrison Crosfield	373		28.6	7.7	18.8
450	303	Inchcape	438		25.8	5.9	34.7
37	28½	Jacks (Wm)	35½		1.7b	4.9	13.2
283	183	Lonrho	222	+4	17.1	7.7	10.9
53	34	Ocean Wilson	53	+1	3.6	6.8	9.3
258	190	Paterson Zoch	233		8.6	3.7	7.6
280	190	Do 'A'	233		8.6	3.7	7.6
213	126	Polly Peck	158	●	7.5	4.7	3.0
54½	30	Sime Darby	54½	●+1½			
590	545	Steel Bros	550	+5	22.9	4.2	11.9
224	61	Tozer Kemsley	149				53.4
218	183	Yule Catto	218	●	10.7	5.0	10.0
PAPER, PRINTING, ADVERT'G							
245	202	Abbott Mead	208	●-2	4.0	1.9	20.0
128	113	Addison Cons	116		3.0	2.6	..
58	43	Adcom Int	52		1.6	3.1	18.1
258	225	Assoc Paper	230		8.9	3.9	13.8
54	31	Ault & Wiborg					
158	108	Banner (Charles)	108	●-4	4.3	4.1	..
190	138	Bemrose	163	●-2	10.0	6.1	88.5
357	217	Bosse Massimi	282	●	6.6b	2.4	18.4
310	201	BPCC	260		20.0b	7.7	21.3
188	143	Brunning	178		7.0	3.9	44.6
185	142	Do R/V	175		7.0	4.0	43.9
240	153	Bunzl	196	r -2	5.7e	2.9	20.3
930	720	Carlton Comm	870		9.6	1.1	26.6
225	173	Chapman	200		12.0	6.0	20.5
365	178	Cropper (James)	380		3.9	1.1	8.1
314	189	DRG	268	●-2	12.3	4.6	11.4
188	130	Davidson Pearce	150		3.9	2.6	15.4
570	380	Eucalyptus Pulp	570		7.1	1.2	9.8
281	172	Ferguson Ind	268		11.3	4.2	16.8
485	380	Fitch Design	385	●	9.0	2.3	19.9
90	53	Geers Gross	72		4.3	6.0	19.8
233	173	Gold Greenlees	190	-3	1.4	0.7	18.6
180	85	Good Relations	148		7.0	4.7	25.0
293	186	Hunterprint	281		10.0b	3.9	9.9
133	110	Lopex	120	●-3	5.7	4.8	..
420	311	Lowe HS & B	375	●-3	9.6	2.6	22.2
290	140	McCorquodale	270		8.8	3.3	28.8
145	93	More O'Ferrall	125	-5	6.1	4.9	15.8
155	123	Norton Opax	140	+5	5.7n	4.1	12.2
26	17½	Ogilvy & Mather	£18¼	+¼			
62	28	Olives Paper	58	-1	..	..	54.7
865	513	St Ives Gp	805	+5	12.9p	1.6	33.0
985	570	Saatchi & Saatchi	920		22.9	3.7	12.4
150	98	Do 6.3% Cnv Prf	102	+½	9.0	8.8	..
256	124	Smurfit (Jeff)	236	+3	4.7	2.0	..
220	200	Usher Walker	218		10.4	4.8	10.1
215	125	Valin Pollen	145	-5	1.7	1.2	29.7
75	40	Wace	58		..	..	15.4
195	113	Waddington (J)	170		7.4	4.4	15.7
291	230	Watmough	275	●+5	9.7	3.5	13.6
565	320	WCRS	510	-20			
PROPERTY							
86½	24½	Abaco	71	●+2	0.3b	0.4	82.3
84	66	Allied Lon	74		2.0	2.7	17.5
83	70	Apex	83		2.9	3.5	18.1
188	155	Arlington Secs	186	+13			
355	216	Asda	335		4.3	1.3	41.8
139	83	Belgrave	119	+2	6.4	5.4	12.8
302	218	Bilton (P)	278		17.4	6.3	14.1
495	367	Bradford	430		12.9	3.0	17.4
188	144	Br Land	160	+5	4.3	2.7	13.4
170	138	Brixton	169	●+8	8.5	5.0	19.9
46	36	Caird (A) &Sons	41				
235	218	Cap & Counties	235		7.6	3.2	21.8
280	200	Cardiff Prop	278		2.6	0.9	..
198	168	Centrovincial	170		8.8	5.1	48.6
485	410	Chesterfield	455		17.1	3.8	18.8
10	780	Cala	£10	●	29.4	2.8	11.6
171	131	Clarke Nickolls	140		9.0t	6.4	21.2
288	164	Connells	253	●	7.4	2.9	24.0
20	14	Control Secs	17½	+½			3.3
140	98	Country & New	114	+1	2.7	2.4	28.5
198	117	County 'B'	163	-7	5.6	3.4	5.5
280	175	Cussins	250		8.9	3.6	56.7
755	470	Daejan	635	+5	20.0	3.2	12.2
19	8	Dares	15½				
175	135	Estates & Agency	135		4.3	3.2	48.6
120	47	Egerton Trust	99	-1	0.7	0.7	..
120	105	Estates Gen	114	●+1	3.7	3.2	23.7
184	140	Estates Prop	174	●	12.1	7.0	13.7
112	83	Evans Of Leeds	102		5.7	5.6	11.3
70	38	Five Oaks	65		..	..	7.6
209	170	Frogmore	198	+2	10.1	5.1	12.4
192	146	Gr Portland	170	+4	9.4	5.5	21.1
274	202	Greycoat	218	+2	3.1	1.4	41.0
16⅝	11	Hallwood Gp	£13⅝	●			
400	204	Hambro Countrywide	310	● ..	6.6	2.1	22.1
465	410	Hammerson	430	+10	13.6	3.2	28.6
465	380	Do 'A'	405	+15	13.6	3.4	27.8
42½	34½	Hampton Tst	40	+½	1.4	3.5	67.0
245	130	Hanover Druce	225		5.0	2.2	21.7
355	253	Hardanger	350	+15	15.1	4.3	13.4
86½	46½	Hong Kong Land	86½				
425	270	Imry	385	-10	8.1	2.2	59.3
200	155	Jermyn	195		2.9	1.5	85.9
270	285	Laing Prop	270	+2	10.7	4.0	13.7
348	276	Land Securities	312	+5	14.0	4.5	20.9
665	358	Lon & Edin Tst	650	-15	10.7	1.6	24.2
286	147	Do 5½%	237	-13	9.3	3.9	..
288	218	Lon & Prov Shop	255		8.7	2.8	22.5
177	151	Lon Shop Prop	164	●+1	7.9	4.8	18.7
310	288	Lynton	310	+10	10.4	3.4	22.9
380	275	MEPC	323	+5	15.7	4.9	20.7
140	90	McInerney	138		..	..	..
118	105	McKay Secs	113	●	5.2	4.6	16.4
58	44	Markheath	45		3.1	6.9	16.0
225	125	Marlowe Moore	185	●-15	4.3	2.3	13.4
103	80	Marlborough	101		0.9	0.9	53.7
555	187	Marler Est	515	-10	5.7	1.1	51.4
10¾	510	Mountleigh	£10¾		14.3	1.4	13.2
780	364	Mountview	780		7.1	0.9	11.8
108	82	Muckow (A&J)	96		7.7	8.0	13.7
20	18½	Municipal	£19		17.3	0.9	37.2
130	73	New Cavendish	113	●	1.7	1.5	56.8
91	43	Parkdale	88	+12	2.3	2.8	14.8
282	255	Peachey	265	+2	12.1	4.6	35.2
280	72½	Priest Marians	255				
224	178	Prop & Rev	218		8.4	2.9	38.9
155	107	Prop Hldgs	147		4.2	2.9	30.4
137	106	Prop Security	128	+1	3.6	2.8	23.8
13½	8¼	Raglan	11¼	●	0.1	0.9	36.7
355	160	Regalian	345	+20	2.9	0.8	31.9
845	313	Rosehaugh	665	+10	1.1	0.2	..
297	215	Rush & Tompkins	215		12.2	5.7	11.3
103	78	Scot Met	90	+1	5.9	6.6	20.6
198	145	Sheild Gp	198	+10	2.9	1.5	53.0
183	142	Slough Estates	169	●+3	8.3	4.9	17.1
445	280	Speyhawk	390	+5	13.6	3.5	20.4
173	144	Stand Secs	160		6.0	3.8	18.1
94	66	Stockley	80				
174	85	Southend Stadium	174		0.8	0.5	38.7
58	45	Town Centre	52		1.4	2.7	31.0
260	198	Trafford Park	221	●	17.1	7.7	12.2
148	95	UK Land	138				
10	525	Utd Real	510	●	21.4	2.1	40.9
885	675	Warner	850		27.9	3.3	38.5
725	475	Warnford	725	+20	24.3	3.4	23.9
158	125	Wates	128	●-1	3.3	2.6	34.8
31	17½	Webb (Jos)	30½		0.7	2.3	50.8
175	142	West & Country	170		11.4	6.7	9.7
SHIPPING							
312½	187	Assoc Br Ports	281	●-2	7.7	2.7	15.5
386	213	Br Commonwealth	213	-3	7.1	3.3	15.0
365	200	Caledonia	201	-2	7.1	3.5	35.3
430	305	Church	415	● ..	12.1	2.9	16.7
94	51	Fisher (James)	62	●+1	4.8	7.7	11.3
603	480	Graig	510		21.4	4.2	42.3
76	54½	Jacobs (JI)	67	●	5.1b	7.6	51.1
12½	5	Lyle	5½			●	0.5
47	26	Mersey Docks	28				3.0
240	180	Ocean Transport	233	●+1	9.8	4.2	10.7
576	428	P & O Dfd	501	●-4	25.0	5.0	14.4
185	88	Runciman (Walter)	150		7.1	4.7	23.6
334	127	Tiptook	293	r -3	6.1	2.1	19.4
390	360	Turnbull Scott	380		12.9	3.4	53.2
SHOES AND LEATHER							
380	290	FII	295		9.6	3.3	11.5
206	145	Garner Booth	198		14.3	7.2	12.3
45	32	Headlam Sims	38		0.7	1.8	..
218	168	Lambert Howarth	180	●	8.9	4.9	9.6
82	58	Newbold & Burton	56		4.4	7.9	16.9
118	82	Pittard	112		5.5	4.9	7.7
157	118	Strong & Fisher	148	●	12.9	8.7	6.8
273	158	Stylo	195		6.4	3.3	24.1
TEXTILES							
573	208½	Allied Text	260		10.7	4.1	17.9
300	135	Atkins Bros	226		10.0	4.4	14.1
183	97	Beale (John)	169		6.9	4.1	8.6
115	85	Beckman (A)	112		8.2	7.3	12.3
31	16	Bolton	27	-1	..	..	19.3
144	123	Br Mohair	133	●	8.6n	6.5	8.0
127	68	Bulmer & Lumb	98		7.1	7.2	22.4
78½	53½	Corah	66½	● ..	5.7	8.6	..
215	190	Courtaulds	277	-5	9.3	3.4	9.3
182	74	Crowther (J)	153	-2	4.6	2.8	13.2
276	196	Dawson	240	-2	8.9	3.7	12.9
57	42	Dobron	48	●	0.7	1.5	36.2
140	87	Drummond	128				
60	25	Dura Mill	40		5.7	14.3	5.4
110	68	Foster (John)	71	+1	5.0	7.0	6.2
113	88	Gaskell Broadloom	96		7.9	8.1	7.1
57	33	Hickng Pentecost	34				
137	87	Ingworth	116	-1	5.0	4.3	10.6
210	90	Ingram (Harold)	145		4.3	3.0	27.5
97	47	Jerome (S)	97		5.0	5.2	9.3
190	132	Lamont	163		6.9	4.2	10.6
183	138	Leeds	183	+5	8.0	4.1	12.5
134	64	Lister	112	●-2	1.4	1.3	9.7
101	72	Lyles (S)	87		8.2	9.4	18.2
115	71	Mackay (Hugh)	103	●	6.7	6.5	14.9
22	10	Munton	18		..	●	5.4
158	94	Parkland 'A'	135	-1	6.9	5.1	16.6
47	30	Readicut	41		2.3	5.6	9.8
135	109	SEET	132		7.6	5.8	7.5
136	72½	Sekers	103	●-2	3.6	3.6	8.3
182	133	Sirdar	145	-3	7.4	5.1	10.8
70	48	Smallshaw (R)	64		3.9	6.1	5.8
20½	11	Stoddard 'A'	26				
188	95	Textured Jersey	148	-1	8.6	5.8	8.4
205	85	Tomkinsons	171	-4	8.6	5.0	13.8
108½	75½	Tootal	88		5.0	6.7	8.1
350	235	Yorklyde	245	-5	10.0	4.1	7.6
TOBACCOS							
468	308	BAT	446	●-5	18.4	4.1	11.7
180	108	Carroll	111	+1			
167	127	Rothmans 'B'	152	-1	9.6	6.3	8.4

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GENERAL APPOINTMENTS

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Management is a vital specialist skill in its own right, transferable from one industry to another, says Michael Webb-Bowen

Why should a successful marketing director selling fast-moving consumer goods such as detergents be any less able at selling financial services – or vice versa? The answer comes back from company after company: "They simply wouldn't understand our business."

But is this true? The key exceptions are finance and personnel directors, who are apparently able to switch industries with ease while other managers are not. This, so it is argued, is because finance and personnel directors are "specialists" while other executives are "generalists" whose skills depend on knowledge of the company and industry.

Rubbish! Management, far from being a general discipline, is in fact a highly specialist skill in its own right, which is easily transferable from one industry to another. The skills and techniques required to run a successful manufacturing plant, for example, are the same as those needed in a service company. The manager's job is the same – only the product or service is different.

But many companies are reluctant to admit this, usually arguing that their business is unique and insisting, when an executive search is being made, on specifying that the candidate must come from within the same industry.

This, in fact, could be seen as an admission of failure by some companies who have neglected to train up from within their own next generation of management. But it is not necessarily a fault since many smaller companies may also not have the resources themselves to bring on potential new senior managers and chief executives.

But why does the solution always have to be to "poach" someone from within the same sector? Some of the most successful appointments in my experience have come from managers outside our clients' own industries. Often it is only after an unsuccessful initial trawl through companies operating in the same field that we have been able to persuade clients to broaden their horizons and consider recruiting from outside their sector.

When they have done so, moreover, they are invariably pleased with the results. An executive from another industry usually brings in a fresh approach to problems which may have baffled other executives for years. He or she will ask the basic question – why things are done this way – which those within the industry have invariably taken for granted.

Even the much maligned public sector corporations have shown themselves to be more willing than private enterprise in searching for new talent from outside their sectors. Lord King at British Airways, Graham Day at British Leyland, and Sir Ian MacGregor at British Steel and British Coal all came from outside to provide their own – and sometimes controversial – solutions to problems which people inside those corporations were perhaps too blinkered to see.

What this suggests, of course, is that the private sector must be more willing to show flexibility, especially in the rapidly changing environment in which they must operate. The lessons of the past couple of decades are too numerous to be ignored. For example, the Japanese challenge to the car industry and the virtual elimination of domestic motor-cycle manufacturing was as much a failure of British management as a tribute to the Japanese corporate ethos.

The retail industry in the 1980s has also shown that companies failing to respond to changing market conditions will be replaced by others more ready to change. The Woolworth stores, for example, were taken over by a team of professional managers rather than retailers. In turn, however, the changing retail environment means that the new Woolworth management came under attack from the Dixons Group in a classic example of how rapid change can confront companies.

But it is the newspaper industry which, in the space of a few months, has shown just how fast change can come upon an industry with seemingly entrenched attitudes and positions.

For too long, managers in newspaper publishing have failed to tackle the core problems of their industry or grasp the benefits of new technology. Now, managers from other industries are being brought in by the new media entrepreneurs, who are casting off the shackles of generations of weak management.

Yet corporate optimists who expect that such changes are at an end are living in a fantasy world. The message for the 1990s is that change will accelerate rather than slow down, with managers having to cope with constant change.

The response from British companies has been rather disappointing. Too often they try to meet change by reshuffling top management or by seeking a feeling of security through mergers or takeovers. Change for change's sake or simply hoping that mere size will conquer all are not managerial responses designed to help companies survive in a changing world. But a willingness to be flexible in bringing in new blood is a clear sign that a company has the will to survive and flourish.

Such flexibility is most obviously required at the present time in the City, where the forthcoming changes – the so-called "Big Bang" – mean that traditional attitudes must change. Marketing executives with experience in successful "blue chip" fast-moving consumer goods companies could, in particular, bring in the fresh ideas and managerial expertise that the City quite clearly needs. We will continue to help City clients to find top executives who will make the transition from outside the City.

Yet if flexibility is to be part of the corporate philosophy it has to start at the top. Management must be found who can contribute a wider experience than can be gained by spending a lifetime in one company or industry. This is even more important as the world becomes smaller and the competitive opportunities open up, not just in Europe but on a global scale.

Executive search specialists must also play their part in finding the right people to take advantage of these opportunities – even if this means departing from traditional recruitment procedures.

The key criterion when looking for a manager from another industry is: Will he or she fit in? What is looked for is the ability to shift gears mentally from one sector to another, to exhibit the potential to grow into a new job in a new industry. For some it is a big leap but my experience suggests it is one which many managers can cope with.

Once chosen, moreover, I find that a good manager takes a relatively short time – six months at the most – to find his way around the new company and industry. Often it can take a lot less time than that.

After the acclimatization period, however, companies will have working for them not only a high-calibre executive capable of analysing problems and defining solutions, but also someone who may bring a genuinely fresh approach to corporate activities. Surely that is worth taking the slight – but calculated – risk of finding new top executives rather than bemoaning the lack of management talent available in a particular sector.

Companies in the latter years of the 1980s must realize that they can no longer afford the luxury of traditional recruitment policies from within their own spheres of activity, when total flexibility arising from a changing world is the new name of the game.

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A guide to career development

How to spot the danger signals

To avoid crashing with the company, Godfrey Golzen has the right answers

The Titanic is said to have sank with lights blazing and the band playing to first class passengers in evening dress. Opinions differ as to whether this was one of the world's greatest examples of super-cool, or whether a lot of people on board simply did not realize what was happening.

The fact is that when you are in the middle of a developing disaster it is often quite difficult to find out what is going on. That applies to sinking companies as well as to sinking ships.

However, a large firm, especially one with well-diversified activities and strong asset backing, can take a long time to go under. For an older executive caught in that situation, personal action will involve taking some calculated risks.

If you are past your mid-50s and there is a company pension scheme, it is probably worth hanging on as long as possible because the scheme should be unaffected by the fate of the company itself – provided it has been properly administered by the trustees.

Although a company cannot use the money in its pension fund to pay its debts, the trustees – who are often also directors – can make loans to or invest in their own company. This is generally regarded as bad practice, but up until this year it has sometimes been difficult for members of a pension scheme to get information on what was happening to their money.

The Social Security Act of 1985, which comes into effect this autumn, will require trustees to produce an annual report for their members. Until these reports start to become available in a year's time, those with substantial pension rights who think they might be caught in a failing company will simply have to ask trustees how the funds have been used and whether the employer's contributions are up to date.

Creative accounting can camouflage problems

"Falling behind with employer's contributions is one of the classic signs of a firm in deep trouble," said David Barrat of the Company Pensions Information Centre.

Further calculation may include the possibility of a takeover and the golden handshakes that usually result when the successful bidder brings on his own team.

In the United States one of the classic defences against takeovers is the "golden parachute" whereby existing board members vote themselves huge severance terms. In Britain the scope for this is limited by the Companies Act and by the Inland Revenue, which draws a distinction between compensation payments for loss of office – tax free or reduced up to £75,000 – and pre-arranged deals which are treated as income.

For executives in mid-career, the risk of waiting for a pay-off from a rich white knight may not be worth taking. But Peter Needham of Gardiner-Hill Needham, a consultancy which specializes in personal career counselling, said: "Often they're too busy or too loyal to take action. The other problem is that they may be so locked into 'golden handcuffs' – cheap company loans or mortgages – that they hardly dare to move."

But now that career management is increasingly a personal rather than a corporate responsibility, Mr Needham believes that however busy you are, you should make a practice of "walking around the deck" to check on how things are going, especially if you have a gut feeling that everything is not as it should be.

So what are the signs you should look for and who should you talk to? The best

indication is usually in the trend of the figures. A drop in the profits over one or two years is not necessarily a cause for concern, but a continuing decline is another matter. Long-term problems can also make their first appearance in the ratios.

"Look at profit to sales and profit to people employed," Mr Needham advises. "Mounting debts are another indicator. At best they're a sign of inattention to cash flow. At worst they can mean that the firm has caught a colossal cold with one or more major customers."

The trouble is that problems can be camouflaged by creative accounting, at least as far as the lay person is concerned. With large publicly quoted companies such devices are quickly spotted by financial commentators – it is always worth reading what they have to say about your firm – but smaller companies can get away with the classic ways of fudging poor results.

These include optimistic valuing of stock or revaluation of assets, or simply the disposal of fixed assets to bring them into the profit figures. More complicated manoeuvres might include shifting overheads around to show crucial parts of a company's operations in a better light.

The ingenuity of accountants under pressure is boundless but, when all else fails, a common ploy is for a bad set of figures to be glossed over by brilliant projections for the future. The question then is whether these are based on genuine market conditions or whether they are the product of wishful thinking?

This is where walking around, looking and listening comes in. One sign can simply be the physical appearance of the workplace. "Firms that are going downhill often look like it," said Mr Needham. "Plant and buildings aren't maintained properly from lack of funds or poor management."

Another bad sign is when key people start to leave in significant numbers or when investment in important projects is cut for no good reason. There is a tendency for management to close ranks in these circumstances, but executives below board level and the gossip grapevine will have their own version of events.

Former Lesney manager, John Abbott, is a survivor from one of the classic corporate failures in recent years. "In retrospect you could see it all coming," he said. "The reports from salesmen out in the field indicated that the toy market was being hit by the advent of new technology and we just didn't have the right products.

"On top of that we were over-extended by a badly-judged acquisition in the American market." Lack of competitiveness and expansion at the wrong time are two factors that can bring even a large company to its knees quickly.

Don't resign until you have another job

Mr Needham feels it is now more important than ever for individuals to look out for such signs. He blames the influence of the City, where the push is rapid short-term results rather than sustained, unspectacular growth. Under pressure from these sources, weak managements are apt, literally, to go for broke.

"The days when the interests of employees came first are over – if they ever existed," is his somewhat bleak commentary on the current employment scene.

Nevertheless, he advises against resigning until you have another job. "Hang about near the lifeboats, but don't jump into the ocean – it can be cold out there." In other words you should, if stuck in a failing firm, look for another job rather than walking out or living on the hope of things getting better.

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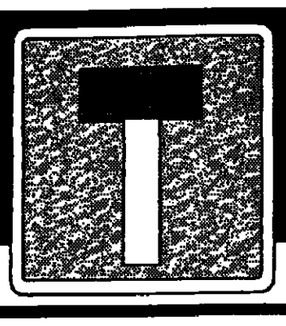

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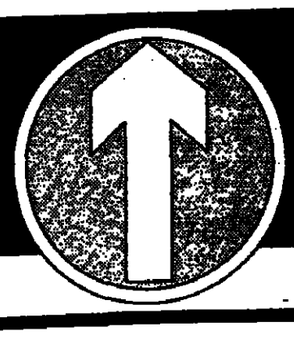

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Legal reform for appeals urged

Annual Review 1985-86

Unless legislative action was taken either to prevent the letting down of appeals which had no chance of success or to allow the dismissal of such appeals by a single Lord Justice, some increase in key resources would have to be considered if there was not to be a substantial lengthening of the "lead-time" (the period between setting down and hearing) for civil appeals, Sir John Donaldson, Master of the Rolls, said on October 8, when he delivered a review of the legal year 1985-86 of the civil division of the Court of Appeal.

THE MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that judges of the Supreme Court had a special constitutional position wholly independent of the Executive, and they had unrivalled opportunities of perceiving, although not necessarily of remedying, defects in the system of procedure or the administration of the law in the High Court or the Court of Appeal.

There was no longer any formal requirement or machinery for periodic reports to Parliament or to the public. Perhaps the time had come when consideration should be given to the desirability of such reports from some smaller body than all the judges of the Supreme Court, such as the Heads of Divisions and the Presiding Judges.

Costs

The basis of the 1982 procedural reforms had been a realization that time spent in court was extremely expensive. There was every reason to believe that the advantages of reduction in the cost to the parties of an appeal and a slight reduction in the time occupied by each individual appeal had been achieved.

In the light of four years' experience the question had to be asked whether more should be done to shift the process of hearing an appeal from oral argument in court to private study in the judges' rooms.

The fact that there was a specialist corps of advocates in the Bar and a long tradition of oral argument differentiated our position from that of the United States of America. It was no criticism of their system to say that we had gone as far as we should in reducing court time.

If we were to go further we would lose the undoubted advantage of a dialogue between bench and Bar in detecting, refining and resolving the crucial point or points in the appeal and, although the expense of time spent in court would be decreased, other costs would be considerably increased in that written arguments would have to be far more elaborate.

That was not to say that the system worked perfectly in all cases. Flexibility and tailoring the method of presentation to particular appeals was of the essence of the system.

Time lag in appeals

It was important to appreciate that in very few cases would it be practicable or sensible to hear an appeal immediately after judgment was given in the trial court. The classic example was the dispute under a documentary credit which had an expiry date in the immediate future. There were other examples, notably where the media were involved.

The normal pattern of appeals was that the parties had a period of about four weeks in which to consider whether to appeal, notice of appeal was given and the documents for the appeal hearing had to be collated and counsel briefed.

It was only at that stage that the appeal was ready to be heard and that any inability to hear it at once could be characterized as court-induced. Even then counsel of the parties' choice might not be available. The lead time for appeals did not wholly represent a period of delay for which the court could be held responsible.

If the court had greater resources it could hear appeals much earlier than at present.

The current lead times were better than they were in 1982, but had shown comparatively little improvement over the past 12 months.

Statistics

During the year 1,604 new appeals were set down. The comparative figures for the three previous years were 1,572 (1984-85), 1,449 (1983-84) and 1,437 (1982-83).

That represented an increase, but the figures had to be viewed with some caution.

The number of appeals did not reflect the weight of the work involved.

During the year 374 appeals had been dismissed by consent. The comparative figures were 424 (1984-85), 405 (1983-84) and 578 (1982-83). That downward trend suggested that fewer appeals were set down without an intention to prosecute them, but it also meant that a greater proportion of the appeals set down took up the time of the court, thus producing a concealed increase in its workload.

During the year 1,207 appeals had been disposed of following a hearing. The comparative figures were 1,123 (1984-85), 1,011 (1983-84) and 1,055 (1982-83). Making all allowances for distortions there was no doubt that that represented a real increase in the court's productivity.

Outstanding appeals

On September 30 there were 953 appeals outstanding. The comparative figures were 943 (1984-85), 974 (1983-82), 924 (1982-83) and 1,100 (1981-82).

The new procedure had made considerable inroads when it was introduced, but since then it had only been possible to keep pace with the results of an increasing number of new appeals and a decreasing number of appeals disposed of without a hearing.

Using the yardstick of "court weeks" necessary to dispose of all outstanding appeals if no new appeals were set down, the court began the year with 201 court weeks' work outstanding and ended with the same figure.

During the year 428 appeals were allowed and 642 dismissed, giving a success rate of 40 per cent. That rate should and could be higher. Appeals which even on a preliminary reading of the papers were demonstrably bound to fail should not be set down.

Two-judge courts

A key element in the 1982 reforms had been the introduction of the two-judge court with jurisdiction to hear appeals from interlocutory decisions of the High Court and all decisions of the county court. During the year 744 appeals had been disposed of by those courts, as compared with 463 by three-judge courts. It was clear that the use of such courts made possible a considerable saving in judge-power.

The only proven objection was that if the judges disagreed the appeal had to be reheard and the costs incurred by the parties on the first hearing were thrown away. That risk would be removed if the costs thrown away were payable out of public funds. Since the public purse was benefiting from the economy in judge-power it seemed fair that the public purse should also bear the burden.

Vacation sittings

In the light of experience this year consideration was being given to meeting what appeared to be a new requirement and producing a more even flow of work by sitting several courts in the first fortnight of August and in the last fortnight of September, with a single court sitting in between, when demand was traditionally very low.

The future

It was not likely that much more could be done to reduce the costs of an appeal in civil matters, but if increased resources could be made available to the court or if it were possible, by early identification of hopeless appeals, to reduce the number of appeals which required a full hearing, or both, progress could be made towards the other objective of disposing of all appeals as soon as they were ready for hearing.

If nothing was done it seemed inevitable that lead times would increase with a corresponding increase in the number of outstanding appeals.

Hopeless appeals

The principle that appeals which had no chance of success should not be allowed to be set down had already been accepted by Parliament. Effect to that policy had been given in specified categories of appeal. If the practice were to be extended across the board there was no doubt that the set-down rate would be reduced, the success rate increased and lead times reduced.

Reluctance to extend the requirement for leave to appeal probably stemmed partly from the use of the phrase "leave to appeal" with its overtones of denying a would-be appellant an opportunity of having an injustice remedied.

That was a misconception. Applications for leave to appeal, if not granted by the trial judge, were considered by a single Lord Justice. Only if he was satisfied that the appeal could not succeed would leave be refused. It was a preliminary hearing to see whether the appeal should be allowed to proceed in the interests not only of the would-be appellant but also of all other appellants waiting for their appeals to be heard.

Although it was a matter for Parliament and the Lord Chancellor, urgent consideration should be given to the desirability of amending section 18 of the Supreme Court Act 1981 and, meanwhile of making further orders under section 77 of the County Courts Act 1984.

At the same time consideration might be given to an alternative approach whereby there would be no requirement of leave to appeal in any case but, if the trial judge did not dispense with the requirement, all appeals would be subject to a preliminary examination by a single Lord Justice who would be empowered to dismiss the appeal if in his judgment it could not succeed on full argument.

Resources

Given the present number of appeals requiring full hearing and the inevitability that it would increase, unless legislative action was taken to enable the court to dismiss hopeless appeals upon a preliminary hearing, some increase in key resources had to be considered if lead times were not to lengthen very substantially. That was a matter for Parliament.

The establishment of the Court of Appeal had been increased by one Lord Justice from the beginning of the month. That was most welcome, but the advantage of the appointment of a single additional judge to a court which jurisdictionally was a multi-judge court was subject to some limitations.

Court rooms

The lack of court rooms was still a major obstacle to disposing of the backlog of appeals. To obtain maximum productivity the court needed to be able to sit five three-judge courts and four two-judge courts simultaneously. "Nine courts into eight courtrooms did not go."

Conclusion

There were stark choices to be made, but they were not choices for the judges. The desirability of legislation, in the present case, to save the expense involved in hopeless appeals and the delay which they caused to other appeals, was always a matter for Parliament. So too with the provision of increased resources, both human and material.

The judges could and should report on what could be and was being done with existing resources, and what resources seemed necessary to achieve better results, but the choice whether to do anything, and if so what, was a matter for Parliament and the Executive. Nevertheless it was to be hoped that something would be done.

The Times guide to England's cricket tour of Australia this winter

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Fri 31-Mon 3 Nov	v S Australia	Adelaide
November		
Wed 5	v W Australia Country	Kalgoorlie
Fri 7-Mon 10	v W Australia	Perth
Fri 14-Wed 19	First Test Match	Brisbane
Fri 21-Mon 24	v New South Wales	Newcastle
Fri 28-Wed 3 Dec	Second Test Match	Perth
December		
Sat 6-Tue 9	v Victoria	Melbourne
Fri 12-Tue 16	Third Test Match	Adelaide
Thu 18-Sun 21	v Tasmania	Hobart
Tue 23	v Prime Minister's XI	Canberra
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Ashes sojourn likely to be baptism of fire for Gatting

By John Woodcock, Cricket Correspondent

England's cricketers fly to Australia this evening in defence of the Ashes and with their collective reputation to restore. It is still the best of all tours. Not even the rapacious Mr Packer has quite managed to change that.

The team will be competing on three fronts, for the Ashes – which are pre-eminent – and in two one-day competitions, both of them dependent upon gimmickry but worth winning. There is the Benson and Hedges Challenge at Perth, arranged as a sideshow to the yachting and involving England, Australia, West Indies and Pakistan, and the pyjama-clad World Series Cup, which takes up the last month of the tour and is three-sided, with New Zealand chasing England and Australia around the far-flung continent.

So there is much work to be done, and an unprecedented amount of travelling. Just how hard the cricket is will depend to some extent on the pitches. The time has passed when these could be taken for granted. They used to invariably be good for batting, usually very good, except after rain: then, being uncovered, they became unplayable.

I can vouch for that, having covered the last Test match in Australia to be played on a "sticky dog". It was at Brisbane in December 1950, when, all in one day, England declared their first innings at 32 for seven and Australia their second at 68 for seven, and England, batting again, made 30 for six before bad light stopped play.

That put an end, in Australia, to uncovered pitches. In more recent years, scoring has declined there for other reasons: visiting West Indian and New Zealand sides, armed with modern, hard-seamed balls, bowl much more effectively than they did, and the pitches are not as well prepared as they were. Perth, for example, is unrecognizable as what was once the truest yet fastest pitch in the world.

A factor in all this is the growing season. The better it is the likelier the pitches are to be adequately grassed. Most Australian cricket grounds are also used for football. Only the weekend before last the rugby league final was held on the Sydney Cricket Ground and the Grand Final of Australian Rules on the Melbourne Cricket Ground. Out of these centre circles, seas of mud not long ago, will come the pitches for the fourth and fifth Tests.

If they should be good – and it is a long time since they were – England will need to do the primary things a lot better than they have so far this year. From the line and length of their bowling and the efficiency of their fielding it will soon be possible to tell whether they are knuckling down to it. They lack the quality of bowling to get away with anything less, even against an Australian side weakened by South African bannings.

Although their reputation is for being as good a spinning partnership as there is, Emburey and Edmonds took only 77 wickets between them last season – Emburey one every 12 overs, Edmonds every 14.

Edmonds's striking-rate was the poorest from among the first 100 bowlers in the averages and on his only other tour of Australia, in 1978-79, all trace was lost of him once he had fallen out with his captain, Mike Brearley.

But Australian batsmen spend so much of their lives facing medium pace – there, too, it has become the staple diet – that Emburey and Edmonds, given the chance, could leaven the England attack.

They may, I think, be better five-day than three-day bowlers. Some celebrated spinners have been, David Allen and Hugh Tayfield among them. But it is time they accepted that the close fielders with which they aim to inhibit a batsman can inhibit a bowler more, through anxiety for his fielders' safety.

No England captain to Australia can have faced a harder test of his maturity, ingenuity, authority and skill than Mike Gatting – and he is on his first Australian tour. With none of the traditional background for the job, he leads a side who have lost eight and drawn three of their last 11 Test matches. He can expect neither beneficence from the crowds nor respite from the itinerary. He has Botham to cope with, a large press corps to accommodate and no experienced management behind him. More than anything, he may need tolerance to temper his aggression.

Botham could almost equally be England's greatest asset as a potential liability. It will be largely up to him which it is, though not entirely. Being the focus of so much attention, he will be frequently provoked. How he handles that is going to affect everyone. He can as easily lose an initiative with his prodigal bowling as wrest it by his prodigious batting.

Botham: asset or liability?

The ommission from the tour committee of both Botham and Gower needs correcting. Apart from being bad psychology, it leaves Emburey as the only selector to have been on a previous Australian tour.

In West Indies last winter, England were finished as soon as they began looking for excuses, some of which, certainly, were ready-made. In Australia under Micky Stewart, the assistant manager, there will be no such indifference to practice and training.

I like to think that the atmosphere in which Whitaker and DeFreitas find themselves will be altogether more conducive to their development than it was for David Smith and Greg Thomas in the Caribbean.

In the next four-and-a-half months, England face a possible 72 days of cricket. That, of itself, is not excessive. Until the early 70s, it could be anything up to 100 on an Australasian tour. But because so much of it now is of the one-day variety, the team will be constantly on the move.

There are no fewer than 32 flights involving something like 25,000 miles in Australia alone. In the days when we sailed to Australia, tours, although much longer, were correspondingly more leisurely.

I have been on them all since 1950, when we left Tilbury on September 14 and arrived in Fremantle on October 9, and have seen all the great changes, most of which have come in the last 10 years and may be traced to Mr Packer's anarchistic impact.

The voyage down under helped to establish an understanding, in many cases a friendship, between players and press that would usually survive the tour. It made a sharp contrast to what has tended to happen recently. The fact that this time the players themselves are prevented by their contracts from writing or broadcasting will spare us for a while from having to put up with Edmonds's indiscretions and Botham's gratuitous criticisms of the Somerset committee.

The pen most likely to cause a splash may belong instead to the perspicuous Mrs Edmonds, whose presence within the party in West Indies earlier this year was another sign of the times. I have a shrewd idea of what Douglas Jardine would have said about it. But now it is merely one of the burdens of a captain's honour.

Poor Gatting! If he retains the Ashes, against an Australian side who, though weakened by the absence of several good players, can only play better than they did in England last year, he will do well. It is likely to be a close thing.

With the America's Cup being raced off Perth while the tour is in progress, it is just as important that the cricket should be sporting and attractive. If not, the game of bat and ball will be overshadowed by the glamorous sport of jib and tack.

Fighting qualities that can turn the tide

England have not won a Test match for 12 games and now, with Mike Gatting at the helm, they face an arduous task down under in defence of the Ashes. **Simon Barnes** talks to England's new captain about his hopes and fears for the challenge that lies ahead

A year ago, England cricket was entering a new Golden Age. A year before that, what was reckoned to be the worst England team ever to leave these shores went off to India. A few months ago, no more than than, England went to West Indies to play, it was reckoned, for the world championship of cricket. Today they leave for Australia to play for world cricket's wooden spoon.

England have been beaten, in successive series this year, by West Indies, India and New Zealand. English cricket has never been in a worse state, as people say every other year. That "worst team ever to leave these shores" won in India from one-down, and the captain, David Gower, seemed to have set himself up for years to come. When he added to that by winning the Ashes, he and England looked unbeatable.

Well, David, it's a funny old game, as Peter West so penetratingly remarked at the time. Gower, then apotheosized, is now sacked. The new captain is Mike Gatting: Gatting who was dropped in 1984 after twice in the same Test match getting himself out leg before without playing a stroke. Once might have been regarded as a misfortune. A funny old game, as I dare say Gatting has mused to himself.

People who run sport like sacking people: sacking always looks like decisive action. But Gatting has not reversed the tide of defeat. He has a big job to take on in Australia and I suppose he will get the boot if things go wrong. He – and England – could do with a bit of success. The habit of defeat needs to be broken. "It has been," Gatting said, "a year of learning for me. And a year of disappointment."

But he goes to Australia full of optimism, for he an indominatable fellow. When people say, as they often do, that he is a good, solid individual, they are not just talking about his build: He is solid, stolid, straightforward: he is most remarkable for his complete ordinariness. He is not stylish or strutting or swashbuckling: he is just good ol' reliable Gatt. His great quality is that he gets on with things. Frances Edmonds wrote that while Gower reminded her of a two-year-old filly, Gatting was like a shire horse.

His solid qualities have never been seen more clearly than on that disastrous tour of West Indies. The wicket at Sabina Park, Jamaica, ended the last Golden Age before it had begun. The vicious, demoralizing pounding that the England cricketers took on it has had a powerful effect on every match England have played since. The prime victim was Gatting.

He was hit in the face by that great hitter of human beings, Malcolm Marshall. He had his nose flattened and two enormous black eyes. A piece of bone was found embedded in the cricket ball: cricket lovely cricket, eh? He went home to get mended and then came straight back out again.

"Getting hit in the face wasn't as painful as breaking my thumb, which happened after I got back," he said, with fine insouciance. "In fact, I could not believe that the blow in the face was not more serious. It could have hit me on the cheekbone, and that would have been a lot worse. I was suffering a little from shock, though. When I came back to the West Indies after treatment, I was still a little wobbly on my feet, from the anaesthetic in the last operation, the one when they removed the wire. I arrived and batted the next day.

"I went on to play in the Test, and I expected a warm reception, especially from Malcolm. And I got it. But I wasn't doing all that to be a hero. I wasn't trying to be a knight in shining armour. It is just that when something happens to you like that, you have to say: well, do I want to go on playing cricket? If you do, you have to go back there and face it, as soon as you can, like someone falling off a horse and remounting straight away. I wanted to go on playing, you see: so it was not a matter of heroics. It was, if you like, a kind of self-interest.

Mike Gatting: solid, stolid and straightforward

Because I am so happy to play for England, you see, after all the disapointment over six years." Gatting, you may recall, was one of those players who seemed unable to cross the gap between county and Test cricket. He had more last chances than you'd believe possible. Because selectors found it impossible to believe that so consistent a destroyer of top quality bowling in the county championship could not do it at Test level. Perhaps Gatting was trying too hard to look like an England player, instead of going out there to play like Mike Gatting and uncomplicatedly whacking the ball about the place.

Gatting has never been one over-burdened by his early promise, you could say. He never feels he has a God-given right to play. He needed a lot of courage to face a string of failures before he finally and resoundingly started to get it right. That happened on the tour to India, when he was part of that "worst touring side ever", and ended up with a tour Test average of 95.83, a century that transformed his life and a double century that confirmed that he really was a top quality England player.

It has not been an easy run: now the entire English team need to acquire Gatting's own ability to defeat defeatism. "I want this to be a happy tour," he said. "One on which all the players help each other. Also, I want it to be successful. This is up to the players: what are their desires? How much do they want to win for England?

Because morale is a little low right now. Over the summer, we have had disappointments, we have had injuries, we've tried new players, we kept losing momentum. Getting beaten by New Zealand was very depressing.

It makes you think as a captain: am I doing the right things? What am I doing wrong? It is the same with batting: when you have a run of failures, you are always analysing things. You wonder about your backlift, and about your initial movement, everything. But when you are going well, you just go out there and hit it. It just flows. It is the same for a captain. When things are going well, you have the right feel of things, and you are always naturally putting the right bloke on."

Above all, Gatting wants this to be a happy tour. The tour to West Indies was miserable: the one to India is remembered by all as a happy one. It is quite easy to make a tour happy. You just have to win a few cricket matches. Gatting is aware of this. A happy tour, then, is his dearest wish. It is a year since the last Golden Age: surely it is time for Gatting to usher in the next.

Keeping England on the straight and narrow

Gin-swilling dodderers to the left, bouncer-cowed beer-sinkers to the right and striding like cricket's colossus between them . . . England's new tour manager, Peter Lush.

Such is the picture that some might paint of the next four months in Australia where the Test and County Cricket Board's marketing man will be entrusted with the role of making England behave and perhaps even win.

To most people, not least the gentlemen who have tried it before, the job is about as delightful as a hook shot in the face, but Lush is clearly an extraordinary character. Further episodes of wine, women, gags, drugs, ducks and Frances Edmonds seem not to daunt him at all.

"I think it's the most exciting thing I've ever had the privilege to be involved in," he said.

As an ex-advertising man and a marketeer for Lord's for the past 12 years, he is entitled to carry a neat line in propaganda but it might also be that England have at last found the right man for the job.

First and foremost, old sins have been forgiven. "I'm wiping the slate clean," he said firmly, implying that Botham's smoke rings will not be sent for laboratory testing and stray Miss Brisbanes will not be treated with undue suspicion.

A strife-free band of merry men

And yet the England team which takes off today will be sure their new theme tune is "Ain't Misbehavin'."

"The players are expected to be, and will be, ambassadors for their country. They have got to appreciate and understand that. They're like the Royal family," said Lush.

Given that the Queen was treated to a smattering of eggs and protesters' bare behinds on her last trip to the Antipodes, that should make for an interesting time. But far more likely provocation for England will be the prolific feats of Border, ungainly antics from Matthews and madly partisan crowds.

Lush: optimistic

Lush appreciates that it would be unreasonable to expect a teetotal, strife-free band of merry men to emerge from that lot. "Of course, they're going to need to let their hair down from time to time and I would say good luck to them. The question is how they do it and where they do it." And the answer, he ventures, is: Not in public.

The man who brought sponsors into Test match and County Championship cricket, and who helped to develop match-day programmes that alone made £100,000 profit for the TCCB last year, seems to be quite a radical choice as tour manager. He did look after the England B tour of Sri Lanka earlier this year, but from that to Bothamesque adventures is quite a leap.

He avows that he would be flattered in Australia to be mistaken for one of the now immortalized "gin-slingers" but both age – he is only 47 – and bonhomie seem to disqualify him from the label. He doesn't like gin either.

"I don't regard myself as an authoritarian figure. I think one can overdo the discipline. You don't achieve anything banging a table and I am an eminently reasonable man," he said with a beatific smile that very nearly reached his steely grey eyes.

Marked lessening of distractions

He does, on the other hand, appreciate the age difference between himself and the oldest of the players. "I think that might be helpful in providing a bit of wisdom," he said.

One sage thought that has occurred to him is that between 32 domestic flights, five Test matches and two one-day competitions, with the West Indies and Pakistan making guest appearances, the England team will be sufficiently occupied with cricket the game, as opposed to cricket the soap opera. Exhaustion may preclude further scenes from Crime and Punishment.

Should a problem arise he claims the strategy exists – coded 'top secret' for now – to deal with it swiftly, sensibly and cleanly. Any similarity to a beheading is strictly coincidental.

Lush wholeheartedly supports the ban on the writings of the would-be journalist players and prefers wives to arrive after the first Test for precisely the same reason – a marked lessening of distractions. Rumours of "other women", as mentioned by the redoubtable Mrs Edmonds, he insisted, could be dismissed: "She's rather prone to hyperbole."

Lush is of the optimistic bent. He likes to think that England's chances of becoming an indisciplined shambles on tour are remote. "I am looking for a cricket side that's going to do well and reflect well on the country. But I'm not sure I particularly want them to earn a reputation for being gentlemen. We'd like to win."

Sue Mott

Sarah Hemmings

RACING

Summer Posy to fulfil her Newbury promise

By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

Already the form of the Stable Stud and Farm Stakes, run at Newbury a little under three weeks ago, looks reliable. The winner, Milligram, has excelled again by finishing second in the group one Prix Marcel Boussac at Longchamp on Sunday, beaten only half a length.

Three days earlier Gold Fee, who was third past the post at Newbury, stepped up on that performance by winning at Newmarket.

Now I am looking to Summer Posy to lend her weight to the argument by winning the EBF Malton Stakes at York this afternoon in the hands of Steve Cauthen.

At Newbury this half sister to those good horses Cistus and Lancastrian showed a good deal of promise by finishing fourth. However, her task today is anything but easy.

Tipatina, a runaway winner at Brighton last time and a stable companion of Gold Fee, incidentally, Sainte Joie and Street Party will all make life difficult for her, particularly the latter two.

When last seen Sainte Joie and Street Party were both just pipped in photo-finishes, Sainte Joie by Laluche in the May Hill Stakes at Doncaster and Street Party by Sanaabell at Salisbury. Some might say that Sainte Joie boasts the best form because her race at Doncaster was a pattern event but Summer Posy's potential appeals to me and she is preferred.

No matter how Street Party fares, Pat Eddery, her jockey, can take another stride to what looks like being his fifth jockeys' championship title by winning the Allied Dunbar Handicap on Granny's Bank whose chance is best judged on that good win at Newbury in August rather than her disappointing subsequent effort at Doncaster where she was never in a position to win before ultimately finishing behind Handlebar, among others.

My other principal fancy at York is High Knowl to extend his winning sequence to four in the Little-Go Apprentice Stakes.

With every winner that he rides Brent Thomson is improving his chance of landing another job riding in this country next season after his contract with Barry Hills ends this autumn.

Those who have come to like and admire the New Zealand-born jockey are now more than hopeful that a firm offer or at least some sort of bait will be on the table before long.

Now I expect Thomson to show again why his services should be in demand by winning the EBF Brokers Stakes at Lingfield Park on War Brave, who was one of the four winners that he rode in an afternoon at Nottingham recently.

First time out, at Goodwood, War Brave finished two lengths ahead of Native Dress when they were both beaten fair and square by Sharp Reminder. In the meantime Native Dress has also been victorious.

As far as today's best bet is concerned, though, I am looking to Cheltenham where Glenrue is napped to register his third victory on the trot in the Churchdown Handicap Chase in the excellent hands of Richard Dunwoody.

By winning the Whitbread Trophy over the big Aintree fences during the same meeting Glenrue showed that he ought to be able to take the tricky Cheltenham jumps in his stride as well.

Indeed, if he is to be taken seriously as a strong contender for this year's Mackeson Gold Cup, which will be run over today's course and distance at the beginning of next month, he ought to be capable of giving weight and a beating to his six opponents this afternoon.

Granny's Bank, twice a winner at Newbury this term, will be in action at York today for the Allied Dunbar Handicap

Grantham follows in father's footsteps

Tony Grantham won the Cheltenham Gold Cup on 33-1 chance Gay Donald 31 years ago. Yesterday, Tony's son Tom rode his first Cheltenham winner when he gave the top weight, Wily Yeoman, a beautiful ride in the Ajax Amateur Riders' Handicap Chase.

He joined Mark Bradstock, riding the fading Cloncormick, at the top of the hill and then took command jumping the second last. He met the final fence perfectly and stayed on strongly to hold off Foot Stick.

Grantham, pupil-assistant with Wily Yeoman's trainer, Josh Gifford, was riding his second winner of the season, and his ambition is to be champion amateur before turning professional next year.

Alan Spence, the owner, raced to Cheltenham by road yesterday from a business meeting in London and arrived just in time to see his horse Pellincourt start a short-priced favourite for the first division of the Gotherington Novices' Hurdle.

After landing the odds by a very comfortable eight lengths, Pellincourt was blowing even less than his owner.

Dunwoody told Pellincourt's trainer, Reg Akehurst, that the horse was feeling the firm ground a little bit.

Spence revealed the sad news that his grand old servant Freight Forwarder will not be able to run this season. "He was ready to go to Warwick last month for the race he wins every year when he injured a leg cantering. He'll be 13 next year, so I don't know if he'll ever race again," Spence said.

Bocatower demoted after battle royal

Pat Eddery and Greville Starkey had a battle royal throughout the final furlong of the BBC Radio York Maiden Auction Stakes yesterday, with Starkey snatching victory on Bocatower by a short head from the favourite, Silk Topper.

But the first two placings were reversed after a stewards' inquiry, when it was found that Bocatower had accidentally interfered with Silk Topper as the pair raced home eight lengths clear of Beat Street.

This was Pat Eddery's first winner since his Arc triumph on Dancing Brave on Sunday, while William Hastings-Bass, who trains Silk Topper at Newmarket, continued his fine run of success by bringing his score for the season to 22.

The demotion of Bocatower left his Pulborough trainer Guy Harwood still needing two winners to top the century on the domestic scene this season. He is at present just one behind Henry Cecil.

The Midlands-based freelance Walter Wharton has ridden only three winners this season, but he had his second success in six days when he partnered 12-1 shot White Of Morn to victory in a big field for the BBC Radio Sheffield Selling Stakes.

Wharton, who also scored for Matt McCormack's stable on Websters Feast at Haydock Park last Friday, had White Of Morn handily placed from the start.

The 23-strong field split into two groups, with the far side holding the advantage throughout. White of Morn was at the head of affairs by halfway, and the Wantage colt held off the late challenges of Highland Lodge and Pilgrim Prince by half a length and a neck.

There was a stewards' inquiry, but the placings were confirmed, and White of Morn - the 16th winner this season for McCormack - was bought in for 4,200 guineas.

Contemplating action for Sunday racing

By Michael Seely

The Jockey Club committee of inquiry into Sunday racing was sitting under the chairmanship of General Sir Cecil Blacker yesterday at Portman Square to decide what action to take after the meeting with leaders of the church on Monday.

When the Shops Bill was surprisingly rejected by Parliament in May it was assumed that the Jockey Club would abandon their plan as it would also need a change of legislation in the Gaming Act of 1963 before betting would be permitted on a Sunday.

However, General Blacker has been led to believe that many opponents of the Shops Bill might be willing to consider less drastic changes in the British Sunday.

He is, therefore, canvassing support for the introduction of Sunday racing on a limited scale. A statement on the findings of the committee is expected in due course.

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Selections

By Mandarin: 2.00 Lady Attiva. 2.30 Summer Posy. 3.00 Granny's Bank. 3.30 Brewin Time. 4.00 Liseta. 4.30 High Knowl.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.30 Greenhills Girl. 2.45 Street Party. 3.00 Granny's Bank. 3.30 Mighty Bold. 4.00 Obidos. 4.30 Royal Dynasty.

By Michael Seely: 2.30 Tipatina. 3.00 USFAN (nap).

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 4.00 LISETA (nap).

Guide to our in-line racecard

103 (12) 0-0432 TIMESFORM (CD,BF) (Mrs J Ryley) B Hall 9-10-0 ... B West (4) 88 7-2

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F-fell. P-pulled up. U-unseated rider. B-brought down. S-slipped up. R-refused). Horse's name (B-blinkers. V-visor. H-hood. E-eyeshield. C-course winner. D-distance winner. CD-course and distance winner. BF-beaten favourite in latest race). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating. Approximate starting price.

Going: good to firm — **Draw: low numbers best**

2.0 AINSTY SELLING HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £2,944: 1m 2f 110yd) (7 runners)

1 (1) 000041 LADY ATTIVA (P O'Sullevan) P Rohan 9-8 (5ex) ... C Dwyer 97 F5-2
2 (4) 0-03400 LOUD LANDING (Mrs A Skiffington) W Hastings-Bass 9-7 ... W Carson 93 11-2
5 (5) 040000 OUT OF STOCK (Mrs M Fairbairn) M Blanshard 9-5 ... W Newnes 98 7-1
6 (7) 240320 GREENHILL'S GIRL (V) (L Audus) M Ryan 9-4 ... S Cauthen 97 9-2
7 (6) 000000 STATE JESTER (B) (E Barber) W Elsey 9-4 ... Pat Eddery 98 7-2
8 (2) 00-0000 LINTON SPRINGTIME (Linton Restaurants) R Whitaker 8-12 ... D McKeown — 14-1
9 (3) 000003 SCINTILLATOR (A Lyons) C Booth 8-11 ... M Hills ● 99 10-1

2.30 EBF MALTON STAKES (2-Y-O Fillies: £5,312: 7f) (8 runners)

3 (1) 01 TIPATINA (D) (Miss C Alexander) L Cumani 8-13 ... R Cochrane ● 99 3-1
6 (4) 00 APPROACHING STAR (F Gallagher) R Sheather 8-8 ... M Rimmer 70 14-1
20 (7) 0 MILLFIELDS HOUSE (M Higgins) B McMahon 8-8 ... W Carson — —
22 (2) MISS MARTINIQUE (A Lyons) C Booth 8-8 ... M Hills — —
27 (8) 32 SAINTE JOIE (K Al-Said) L Piggott 8-8 ... T Ives 96 F7-4
32 (3) 32 STREET PARTY (E Moller) G Wragg 8-8 ... Pat Eddery 94 7-2
33 (6) 4 SUMMER POSY (Sir M Sobell) I Balding 8-8 ... S Cauthen 92 6-1
34 (5) TURTUR NI (J Lloyd) J Winter 8-8 ... G Duffield — —

FORM TIPATINA (8-11) a comfortable 7l winner at Brighton last time (7f, £959, firm, Sept 18, 13 ran) from Rare Memories (8-11). APPROACHING STAR (8-11) 9l 6th to Three Tails (8-11) at Leicester (1m, £964; firm, Sept 22, 16 ran). SAINTE JOIE (8-9) ran on when a short head 2nd to Laluche (8-9) in a Doncaster Group 3 event (1m, £13898, good, Sept 11, 10 ran). STREET PARTY (8-11) tried to make all but just caught and beaten a neck by Sanaabell (8-11) at Salisbury (7f, £3065, firm, Sept 10, 18 ran). SUMMER POSY is a half-sister to Lancastrian, should improve on (8-8) running-on 5¾l 4th to the useful group placed Milligram (8-8) at Newbury (7f, £6679, good, Sept 19, 27 ran).
Selection: SAINTE JOIE

3.0 ALLIED DUNBAR HANDICAP (£4,688: 1m) (11 runners)

5 (8) 000-000 RED RUSSELL (A Duffield) G Calvert 5-9-7 ... W Newnes 94 —
8 (7) 0-01000 SAMS WOOD (D) (H Wright) M Tompkins 5-9-5 ... R Cochrane 96 —
9 (10) 4211-00 OPEN HERO (D) (L Edgley) A Stewart 3-9-5 ... M Roberts 95 6-1
11 (2) 011223 HANDLEBAR (Mrs M Haggas) J W Watts 4-9-4 ... T Ives 96 6-1
12 (4) 02212 USFAN (CD,BF) (Prince A A Faisal) J Dunlop 3-9-4 ... W Carson ● 99 9-2
13 (5) 0/1110-3 SPRING IN MY STEP (D) (Mrs E Marks) M Prescott 4-9-3 ... G Duffield 91 10-1
17 (1) 122310 GRANNY'S BANK (D,BF) (J James) W Hastings-Bass 4-9-1 ... Pat Eddery 97 F7-2
18 (3) 001-443 CENTREPOINT (D) (Mrs P Yong) J Etherington 3-9-0 ... K Darley 92 —
19 (6) 011200 SIGNORE ODONE (D,BF) (B Shaw) M H Easterby 4-9-0 ... M Birch 97 7-1
21 (11) 330100 BROWN BEAR BOY (F Northcott) R Armstrong 4-8-13 ... S Cauthen 93 8-1
28 (9) 003010 WARM WELCOME (B) (E Moller) G Wragg 3-8-3 ... P Robinson 95 9-1

FORM HANDLEBAR (7-10) is very consistent and was right up to his best when 3l 3rd to the improved Fair Country (7-10) at Doncaster last time (1m, £13149, good to firm, Sept 13, 16 ran) with GRANNY'S BANK (7-10) never troubling the leaders 4¾l away in 7th. USFAN did not get a clear run when favourite at Goodwood last time: previously (9-0) beat Meritmoore (9-0) 2½l here on September 4th (1m, £3480, good, 9 ran). SPRING IN MY STEP is best with some give in the ground. Had a pipe opener (9-5) when 5¾l 3rd to Flyhome (9-8) at Sandown last time (1m, £3753, good to firm, Sept 24, 11 ran). GRANNY'S BANK (8-1) squeezed through to lead inside final furlong when beating Moores Metal (7-5) ½l at Newbury (1m, £6555, good, Aug 15, 13 ran) on penultimate outing. SIGNORE ODONE was favourite but could only finish 6½l 6th here last time. Best form (10-0) when 1l 2nd to Kamaraas (8-1) at Beverley (7f 100yds, £1582, good to firm, Aug 17, 18 ran).
Selection: USFAN

3.30 DICK TURPIN NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £3,563: 6f) (11 runners)

3 (2) 010 SUPREME ROSE (E Badger) W Musson 9-7 ... M Wigham 89 —
4 (9) 48-2030 SPANISH SLIPPER (B) (R Johnston) W Haigh 9-7 ... J H Brown (5) 97 7-2
5 (3) 01130 EINSTEIN (D,BF) (Mrs M Burnside) M Camacho 9-6 ... N Connorton 96 5-1
7 (7) 400 FRANK THE BANK (S Powell) J Sutcliffe 9-0 ... Pat Eddery 88 —
9 (1) 3100 NORAPA (D) (A Wragg) M Britain 8-13 ... K Darley 97 12-1
11 (11) 00311 BREWIN TIME D (P Bailie) M H Easterby 8-12 ... M Birch ● 99 F5-2
15 (4) 311004 SPITTIN MICK (Sandmoor Textiles Co Ltd) M H Easterby 8-10 ... J Lowe 98 9-2
16 (8) 00400 MIGHTY BOLD (B) (R Arculli) R Armstrong 8-10 ... W Carson 93 10-1
20 (6) 314004 KALA'S IMAGE (I Parry) G Moore 8-1 ... A Mackay 97 8-1
22 (5) 011202 GOOD TIME GIRL (D,BF) (D O'Brien) R Hannon 7-10 ... G French 98 —
23 (10) 00400 CALLACE (W Westcott) A Smith 7-8 ... J Quinn (5) 95 —

FORM EINSTEIN never got into the race last time out, previously (8-11) beat Gay's Flutter (8-5) by an impressive 5l at Redcar (6f, £4117, good, Aug 9, 8 ran). NORAPA below form since an (8-11) easy 6l win over Needwood Nut (8-11) in a Nottingham maiden (6f, £1855, good, Aug 11, 17 ran). BREWIN TIME (8-0) beat Panache (8-2) 1½l at Haydock (6f, £3456, good, Sept 5, 20 ran). His only previous form was on soft ground. SPITTIN MICK (9-7) was beaten just over 3l when 4th to Chilibang (9-6) at Ayr (5f, £2759, firm, Sept 20, 12 ran) and should appreciate the step up to 6f. MIGHTY BOLD could only manage a 5th to Deming Dee last time out, previously (7-11) caught in the final strides in the race won by Shades of Night (7-8) at Kempton (6f, '580, good to firm, Sept 6, 18 ran). GOOD TIME GIRL has been twice in the frame since a (8-8) 4l win over Ballantrae (8-8) at Brighton (6f Sell, £1702, good to firm, June 23, 8 ran).
Selection: EINSTEIN

4.0 GREEN HOWARDS CUP (Claiming Race: 2-Y-O: £3,646: 1m 1f) (17 runners)

2 (3) 32F201 MORNING FLOWER (J Harding) R J Williams 9-3 ... T Ives 96 7-2
6 (8) 01 OBIDOS (Mrs H Demetriou) J Hindley 8-12 ... M Hills 83 9-2
8 (5) 0000 RUNNING MONEY (Lord Lilford) J Wilson 8-11 ... Julie Bowker (7) 81 —
9 (10) 00 BENNETTHORPE (Hippodromo Racing) M W Easterby 8-6 ... M Wigham 80 —
11 (16) 044003 CASTLE CORNET (Introgroup Holdings Ltd) R Hannon 8-6 ... R Cochrane 80 —
12 (13) 400044 ALBION PLACE (Hippodromo Racing) M H Easterby 8-4 ... M Birch 85 —
14 (4) 0 BRANDY BOTTLE (Lord Porchester) W Hastings-Bass 8-3 ... W Carson 81 12-1
15 (14) 0 FORUM'S FOLLY (The Forum Ltd) J Sutcliffe 8-3 ... Pat Eddery — —
17 (7) 0 OMEN (T Ellis) P Haslam 8-3 ... G French — —
19 (1) 030 WAHIBA (Lt-Col E Harries) G Pritchard-Gordon 8-3 ... G Duffield 92 10-1
20 (6) 00 GULF OF GOLD (Lord Belper) M W Easterby 8-1 ... G Carter — —
22 (15) 00 MYTYME (J Honeywood) M Tompkins 8-1 ... M Rimmer 77 —
23 (17) 002 RUWI VALLEY (H Stavrakis) P Haslam 8-1 ... J Scally (7) 82 6-1
24 (9) 010 SUE FOREVER (R Hanson) R Whitaker 7-13 ... D McKeown 77 —
25 (2) 022 LISETA (Corse of Kinnoir) M W Easterby 7-12 ... L Charnock ● 99 F5-2
26 (12) 0 MAJESTIC MISS (M Webster) G Oldroyd 7-12 ... M Wood — —
27 (11) 240000 EUROCON (W Swiers) D Chapman 7 11 ... J Lowe 93 8-1

FORM MORNING FLOWER (8-4) ridden out to beat Grey Wolf Tiger (8-8) 1½l with CASTLE CORONET (7-8) 2l back in 3rd at Goodwood (8f H'cap £3052, good Sept 30, 10 ran). OBIDOS (8-11) bought in for 11,200gns after beating RUWI VALLEY (8-8) 3l in a seller at Newmarket (8f, £2637 good to firm, Oct 2, 14 ran). ALBION PLACE (7-8) put up best effort to date on latest start when just over 10l 4th to Toluca Lake (9-0) at Doncaster (8f H'cap, £4084, good, Sept 10, 5 ran). WAHIBA (9-0) is probably best judged on penultimate start when 5¾l 3rd to the very useful Toluca Lake (8-7) at Wolverhampton (7f, £1051, good, Aug 4, 12 ran). LISETA (8-11) edged left close home when 1l 2nd to Sunerta (8-11) at Ayr (7f, £3883, good to firm, Sept 18, 12 ran): a longer trip should hold no fears today.
Selection: LISETA

4.30 LITTLE-GO APPRENTICE STAKES (£2,548: 1m 4f) (7 runners)

2 (7) 202040 FOLK DANCE (D) (Mrs J McDougald) I Balding 4-9-0 ... S O'Gorman (6) 90 10-1
4 (6) 000-1 OWN UP (D) (D Faulkner) R Whitaker 4-9-0 ... K Bradshaw 73 7-1
5 (4) 0000-00 IBN MAJED (P O'Donnell) C Spares 4-8-10 ... N Carson (6) — 25-1
6 (5) 423111 HIGH KNOWL (D) (K Abdulla) B Hills 3-8-9 ... P Hill (3) 97 F9-4
8 (3) 00213 CROWLEY (D) (N Hunt) L Cumani 3-8-6 ... S Quinlan (3) 98 9-2
10 (2) 00012 ROYAL DYNASTY (D) (E Moller) G Wragg 3-8-2 ... D Surrey (3) ● 99 11-4
11 (1) 120200 SENDER (D,BF) (N Hunt) A Stewart 3-8-2 ... G Clarke (6) 1 86 8-1

FORM FOLK DANCE is not that consistent and possibly ill-suited by prevailing fast ground, last showed best when (9-7) 2l 2nd to Mighty Flush (7-11) at Salisbury in July (1m 4f, £2357, good to soft, 7 ran). OWN UP (9-4) won slow-run event at Beverley by 5l from Formidable Dancer (8-8) (1m 4f, £1645, firm, Sept 25, 4 ran). CROWLEY (9-6) could not quicken in the final quarter mile when 6l 3rd of 5 behind Norpella (9-7) at Goodwood (1m 4f, £4032, good to firm, Sept 13, 5 ran). ROYAL DYNASTY (8-5) ¾l Ayr runner-up to Myth (8-6) (1m 5f, firm, Sept 19). Previously (9-0) made all and held on to dead-heat with Buckley (9-0) at Redcar (1m 4f, £522, good, Aug 8, 7 ran). HIGH KNOWL (9-0) 1½l back in 3rd there, has not looked back since and (9-7) completed a hat-trick when beating Northern Amethyst (9-7) at Bath (1m 5f, £1605, good to firm, Sept 22, 8 ran).
Selection: HIGH KNOWL

Course specialists

TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per Cent	JOCKEYS	Winners	Runners	Per Cent
J Dunlop	32	105	30.5	Pat Eddery	59	298	19.8
I Balding	13	80	16.3	W Carson	57	297	19.2
B Hills	24	177	13.6	T Ives	19	175	16.3
J Hindley	8	61	13.1	M Hills	10	63	15.9
L Cumani	7	60	11.7	S Cauthen	50	322	15.5
R Armstrong	8	82	10.0	G Duffield	13	127	10.2

LINGFIELD PARK

Selections

By Mandarin: 2.00 Thunderdome. 2.30 War Brave. 3.00 Kibara. 3.30 Highly Recommended. 4.00 Topeka Express. 4.30 Northern Amethyst. 5.00 Skean.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.00 Thunderdome. 2.30 Foresight. 3.00 Kibara. 3.30 Ambrosini. 4.00 Topkea Express. 4.30 Lake Erie. 5.00 Pointed Lady.

Michael Seely's selsection: 3.30 Highly Recommended

Going: good to firm — **Draw: high numbers best**

2.0 GRE CASUALTY HANDICAP (£2,236: 1m 2f) (15 runners)

1 (6) 413021 MARSH HARRIER (C,D) (F Hill) A Moore 5-10-2 (7ex) ... Candy Moore 93 9-2
3 (14) 300000 PORTOGON (T Marshall) M Usher 8-9-9 ... D Mckay 92 —
7 (5) 140000 RAPID LAD (D) (S Borsberry) J Spearing 8-9-2 ... P Cook 96 —
9 (15) 20-0224 SUNLEY SAINT (Sunley Holdings Ltd) P Walwyn 3-9-0 ... Paul Eddery 97 6-1
10 (2) 140400 REDDEN (CD) (J Honeysett) M Bolton 8-8-13 ... W R Swinburn 97 12-1
11 (10) 223002 TALK OF GLORY (C) (E Gadsden) L Cottrell 5-8-12 ... G Baxter ● 99 4-1
12 (1) 304423 TOM FORRESTER (C) (P Jubert) P Mitchell 5-8-12 ... C Rutter 98 8-1
14 (7) 000203 NASKRACKER (B Hearse) G Harwood 3-8-11 ... G Starkey 93 —
16 (11) 001040 TIP-TAP (J Wilberforce) A Hide 4-8-10 ... NON-RUNNER 95 —
18 (8) 00000-0 TAMA MIST (R Voorspuy) R Voorspuy 4-8-9 ... S Whitworth — 86
21 (6) 010020 DICK KNIGHT (V) (Wallace Farms Stud Ltd) K Ivory 5-8-8 ... A Shoults (5) 93 —
22 (12) 042443 HEAD OF SCHOOL (R Ashdown) Pat Mitchell 3-8-7 ... J Reid 96 12-1
23 (3) 00001 THUNDERDOME (D) (E Seltzer) O Douieb 3-8-7 (7ex) ... B Thomson 97 F2-1
24 (13) 200223 PEARL PET (B Green) P Makin 4-8-5 ... T Quinn 92 —
28 (4) 000014 JAAZIEL (B,D) (J Guest) D Murray-Smith 3-8-4 ... R Wernham 95 —

2.30 EBF BROKERS' STAKES (2-Y-O: £1,931: 6f) (20 runners)

2 (3) 31 NATIVE DRESS (D) (Mrs J McDougald) I Balding 9-2 ... J Matthias 93 7-2
3 (4) 241 WAR BRAVE (D) (Sheikh Mohammed) J Dunlop 9-2 ... B Thomson ● 98 9-2
7 (19) 0 BUY MUM'S ACT (Mrs J Siegel) J Sutcliffe 8-11 ... R Hills — —
8 (11) 00 DALLOR'S CONQUEST (Dallor) R Hutchinson 8-11 ... P Hutchinson (3) 72 —
9 (2) DUNEANY (E Reitel) R Akehurst 8-11 ... A Clark — —
10 (15) 0 EL REY (Sir G Newman) W Hastings-Bass 8-11 ... R Lines (3) — —
11 (6) 034 FORESIGHT (Sheikh Mohammed) L Piggott 8-11 ... W R Swinburn 97 F3-1
18 (5) 000 LINDVARO (B) (J Bray) R Armstrong 8-11 ... P Tulk 70 —
19 (1) 0 LINEBACKER (K Abdulla) F Durr 8-11 ... G Starkey — 8-1
30 (16) 000 THE GRIFTER (Mrs L Burrage) L Holt 8-11 ... P Waldron 76 —
31 (7) THORNFIELD (Thornfield Securities) R Akehurst 8-11 ... R McGhin — —
32 (20) 00 TORRANCE (Mrs M Bates) R Hutchinson 8-11 ... 74 —
33 (12) 0 TUMBLE TIME (R Surridge) J Sutcliffe 8-11 ... A McGlone — 6-1
34 (14) 0 WHATTA BUSINESS (K Ovenden) R Akehurst 8-11 ... T Quinn — —
35 (18) 0 CAVENDISH QUEEN (W Norton) L Piggott 8-8 ... J Reid 18 84 12-1
37 (8) 40 CORVIGLIA RUN (J Kenny) R Hannon 8-8 ... B Rouse 95 10-1
39 (10) 0 DON'T KNOCK IT (Sheikh Mohammed) J Dunlop 8-8 ... R Fox — 12-1
43 (13) RECTORY GIRL (Mrs P Lee) M J Haynes 8-8 ... P Cook — —
45 (9) SERVE N' VOLLEY (C Cyzer) M Usher 8-8 ... C Rutter (3) — —
46 (17) 000 STAINSBY GIRL (S Wicks) R Voorspuy 8-8 ... S Whitworth — —

3.0 GRE SELLING NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £1,033: 6f) (15 runners)

3 (10) 0000 LITTLE-LOCHETTE (Mrs K Green) D A Wilson 9-7 ... J Williams — —
4 (1) 0000 BLANDELL BEAUTY (D Ellison) M Bolton 9-4 ... R McGhin 85 —
6 (8) 04020 BOLD HIDEAWAY (B) (P Savill) R Sheather 9-4 ... — 93 8-1
11 (15) 010 KIBARA (CD,BF) (Miss M Birkbeck) P Haslam 8-12 ... T Williams 98 F5-2
12 (4) 00000 LADY WESTGATE (K Jaffa) M Usher 8-12 ... — — —
13 (14) 024000 SARASOTA (A Payne) R Akehurst 8-10 ... B Rouse 95 6-1
14 (12) 00030 LISASHAM (B) (R Upton) P Makin 8-10 ... T Quinn 96 10-1
15 (2) 000 EASTERN PRINCESS (A Hays) M Usher 8-10 ... C Rutter (3) 97 —
19 (11) 0100 MISS MARJORIE (A Dittrich) L Holt 8-8 ... P Waldron 98 12-1
20 (7) 000000 YOUNG CENTURION (V) (T Marshall) M Usher 8-7 ... D Mckay 98 —
22 (5) 00300 PHOEBE (B Minty) C Wildman 8-6 ... B Crossley 87 —
24 (6) 303220 MISS ACACIA (B) (C Armstrong) R Stubbs 8-6 ... R Hills 97 3-1
25 (3) 0000 DONNA IMMOBILE (J Horgan) R Hannon 8-4 ... A McGlone ● 99 —
28 (9) 00300 SNAPSHOT BABY (B) (P Billingham) R Voorspuy 8-0 ... L Riggio (7) 83 —
31 (13) 034 CAWSTONS COMEDIAN (D Woollard) A Ingham 7-8 ... N Adams 95 4-1

3.30 GRE PROPERTY HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £3,279: 7f 140yd) (12 runners)

4 (10) 032410 BOWL OVER (B,CD) (A Hobbs) P Makin 9-7 ... G Baxter 95 7-1
5 (2) 204300 AMBROSINI (V) (A Krishnan) M Jarvis 9-6 ... T Lucas 97 12-1
11 (5) 020020 SUNNY MATCH (Mrs H Macfarlane) L Cottrell 9-1 ... NON-RUNNER 90 —
12 (6) 00340-0 AUTO ELEGANCE (K Beaumont) M Fetherston-Godley 9-1 ... C Rutter (3) 93 —
15 (9) 003121 HIGHLY RECOMMENDED (Lord McAlpine) P Cundell 9-0 (5ex) ... N Adams 98 9-2
17 (7) 040010 NATCHAKAM (CD,BF) (Mrs L Foster) D Moorhead 8-13 ... S Webster 90 —
18 (3) 240000 STRIVE (A Kelly) M Smyly 8-10 ... B Rouse 93 —
19 (1) 00443 LINASH (E Moller) G Wragg 8-9 ... Paul Eddery ● 99 5-1
21 (4) 00-0 BRITWYDD (A Hodge) C Booth 8-6 ... R Hills 87 12-1
22 (11) 210324 GIVING IT ALL AWAY (BF) (R Daltrey) H Beasley 8-7 ... T Williams 98 6-1
29 (8) 112003 MISTER MARCH (T Blake) R Hutchinson 8-3 ... D Mckay 96 8-1
35 (12) 100021 GERSHWIN (V) (Mrs E O'Donnell) D O'Donnell 7-12 (5ex) ... N Carlisle 94 F4-1

4.0 GRE BLUE PLAN MAIDEN STAKES (Div I: 3-Y-O: £959; 7f 140yd) (16 runners)

1 (15) BARBERSHOP QUARTET (Mrs D Pappin) P Mitchell 9-0 ... A McGlone — —
2 (12) 30 BOLD ADMIRAL (BF) (Sheikh Mohammed) M Stoute 9-0 ... W R Swinburn ● 99 F2-1
11 (1) 04-400 PAS DE REGRETS (M Peters) D Arbuthnot 9-0 ... G Starkey 93 —
14 (5) 043020 ROYAL BERKS (R Richards) L Cottrell 9-0 ... T Lang (7) 77 10-1
17 (8) 032024 TOPEKA EXPRESS (BF) (S Yu) R Armstrong 9-0 ... P Tulk 90 5-1
18 (11) 000000 VAIGLIAN (B) (Mrs D Shirley) J Bethell 9-0 ... J Reid 85 —
19 (13) 000 VILEE (T Blake) R Hutchinson 9-0 ... P Hutchinson (3) — —
20 (16) 00-0320 WIZZARD MAGIC (B) (D Myers) M Haynes 9-0 ... T Williams 68 12-1
23 (14) 0-00 CASA ROSADA (Lord Howard de Walden) W Jarvis 8-11 ... Paul Eddery — 8-1
25 (6) 000000 CHERRY GLORY (Miss N Watanabe) W Wightman 8-11 ... D Mckay — —
28 (10) 34-4300 EASTERN COMMAND (B) (Brook Bloodstock plc) J Dunlop 8-11 ... R Fox 94 3-1
36 (3) 000 KINGSFOLD FLAME (Mrs B Nye) M Haynes 8-11 ... B Rouse — —
37 (4) 400000 LADY WINDMILL (G Stanberg) K Ivory 8-11 ... G Morgan 83 —
44 (9) PEGGY DRIVE (J O'Donoghue) J O'Donoghue 8-11 ... P O'Leary — —
47 (7) ROYAL NATIVE (Heathavon Stables Ltd) J Spearing 8-11 ... P Cook — —
52 (2) 0- WHO'S THAT GIRL (Mrs A Botten) M Fetherston-Godley 8-11 ... R Hills — 12-1

4.30 GRE TRADEPAK STAKES (3-Y-O: C & G: £959: 1m 4f) (7 runners)

2 (3) 232122 NORTHERN AMETHYST (B) (Mrs M Cooper) D Elsworth 9-2 ... B Rouse 98 2-1
3 (6) 241 TAVIRI (K Buchanan) G Harwood 9-2 ... G Starkey ● 99 F5-4
7 (1) LAKE ERIE (R Sangster) M Stoute 8-11 ... W R Swinburn — 8-1
9 (2) 00-0000 MARKELIUS (Miss E Tully) R Boss 8-11 ... — 73 —
12 (7) 342402 MIRAGE DANCER (B) (Maj S Cayzer) R Smyth 8-11 ... Paul Eddery 94 4-1
13 (5) 0 MUSKET WET (Mrs A Emanuel) H Beasley 8-11 ... J Williams — —
16 (4) 000 PRINCE BOLD (B) (Lord Granard) J Dunlop 8-11 ... B Thomson 81 —

5.0 GRE BLUE PLAN MAIDEN STAKES (Div II: 3-Y-O: £959: 7f 140yd) (16 runners)

3 (11) 0-02000 CHEERFUL TIMES (B Cousins) K Ivory 9-0 ... W Woods (3) 75 16-1
6 (12) 00- DOM EDINO (T Mountain) W Wightman 9-0 ... John Williams — —
7 (16) 0 DOWNTOWN BROWN (G Swire) Mrs N Smith 9-0 ... Paul Eddery — —
10 (8) 000-0 LOST ISLAND (Princess E O-Spielberg) D Elsworth 9-0 ... A McGlone 80 —
13 (9) RARE WIND (G Griffin) A Turnell 9-0 ... P Waldron — —
15 (10) 020000 SAHRAAN (M Al Maktoum) A Stewart 9-0 ... M Banner 87 6-1
21 (2) 0 AGGIE (Mrs M Collison) R Hoad 8-11 ... A Mackay — —
22 (13) 0-00240 BIBI KHATOUN (Dana Stud Ltd) J Dunlop 8-11 ... B Thomson 97 3-1
27 (5) 000400 DELTA ROSE (Mrs F Harris) C Benstead 8-11 ... B Rouse 74 16-1
35 (14) 00- JEWEL MIST (M Newman) J Long 8-11 ... N Adams — —
38 (15) 00 LA SHAKA (C Blackwell) A Moore 8-11 ... D Mckay — —
41 (1) 2340-0 MAKALU (T Warner) M Jarvis 8-11 ... T Lucas 85 4-1
43 (3) 32-0000 OPAL FLOWER (F Hedley-Saunders) H Collingridge 8-11 ... W R Swinburn 73 —
45 (4) 004200 POINTED LADY (Kinderhill Corporation) R Armstrong 8-11 ... G Baxter 81 12-1
46 (6) 00 POPSI'S POM-POM (P Grimshaw) M Haynes 8-11 ... P Cook — —
49 (7) 00222 SKEAN (BF) (Mrs J Chandler) G Harwood 8-11 ... G Starkey ● 99 F2-1

Course specialists

TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per Cent	JOCKEYS	Winners	Runners	Per Cent
G Harwood	40	162	24.7	G Starkey	37	194	19.1
I Balding	18	81	22.2	T Quinn	19	101	18.8
J Sutcliffe	15	91	16.5	P Cook	27	195	13.8
M Jarvis	8	54	14.8	J Matthias	18	142	12.7
D Elsworth	12	95	12.6	B Rouse	50	409	12.2
P Walwyn	9	86	10.5	G Baxter	11	97	11.3

CHELTENHAM

Selections

By Mandarin

2.15 Melendez. 2.50 Sam Da Vinci. 3.25 GLENRUE (nap). 4.0 Diamonds High. 4.35 Slip Up. 5.10 Butlers Pet. 5.40 Water Eaton Sandy.

Going: firm

2.15 CHELTENHAM & THREE COUNTIES RACE CLUB NOVICE HURDLE (3-Y-0: £1,900: 2m) (6 runners)

2 3122 BRENT RIVERSIDE G Balding 10-13 ... R Guest (7)
3 3110 HADDON LAD (D) F Jordan 10-13 ... C Smith
5 111 MELENDEZ M Pipe 10-13 ... P Scudamore
7 211 RIBOVINO P J Jones 10-13 ... C Mann
9 DEPUTY MONARCH Denys Smith 10-10 ... C Grant
17 113 WINDBOUND LASS (D) R Holder 10-8 ... N Coleman

15-8 Melendez, 11-4 Ribovino, 9-2 Deputy Monarch, 11-2 Brent Riverside, 9-1 Windbound Lass, 14-1 Haddon Lad.

2.50 BMW SERIES CHASE (£3,093; 3m) (5)

2 -F12 SAM DA VINCI (CD,BF) J Blundell 7-11-10 ... D Dutton
3 320P BILLY BUMPS C Popham 8-11-6 ... S McNeill
5 2333 KAMAG D Holly 8-11-6 ... Mr P Hamer
8 2212 MIGHTY DISASTER (BF) W Kemp 8-11-6 ... S Shilston
9 -304 WASSEM J Jenkins 5-11-3 ... J White

13-8 Sam Da Vinci, 9-4 Mighty Disaster, 7-2 Kamag, 13-2 Wassem, 15-1 Billy Bumps.

3.25 CHURCHDOWN HANDICAP CHASE (£3,726: 2m 4f) (7)

1 1-11 GLENRUE (D) W Casey 9-12-0 (6ex) ... R Dunwoody
2 -381 W SIX TIMES W Kemp 9-11-10 ... R J Beggan
4 60-6 STRAY SHOT (D) G Hubbard 8-10-8 ... H Davies
5 F011 STAND BACK (D) W A Stephenson 9-10-3 (6ex) C Grant
6 020- AUGHRA BOURA (D) J Gifford 10-10-1 ... E Murphy
7 2-13 BOOK OF KELLS (D) J Blundell 11-10-0 (6ex). D Dutton
9 -424 MARANZI (BF) J Colston 8-10-0 ... J Suthern

15-8 Glenrue 7-2 W Six Times, 5-1 Book Of Kells, 7 1 Stray Shot 10-1 Maranzi Stand Back, 12-1 Aughra Boura

Course specialists

TRAINERS: J Jenkins, 8 winners from 38 rides, 21.1%; Denys Smith, 6 from 42, 14.3%; O Gandolfo, 6 from 53, 11.3%; J Gifford, 18 from 208, 8.7%; M Pipe, 5 from 68, 7.9%; D Nicholson, 10 from 172, 5.8%.

JOCKEYS: P Barton, 9 winners from 80 rides, 11.3%; P Scudamore, 22 from 230, 9.6%; S Morshead, 9 from 109, 8.3%; H Davies, 5 from 109, 4.6%. (Only four qualifiers).

4.0 SWINDON TOWN HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,532: 2m) (6)

3 118- DIAMONDS HIGH P Mitchell 5-11-7 ... H Davies
5 10p- BELFALAS LAD J Jenkins 5-10-10 ... J White
6 110- DANCER IN PARIS (D) J Cosgrave 6-10-9 T Pinfield (7)
7 -P03 ARBITRAGE (B,D) G Thorner 5-10-6 ... P Barton
9 -824 LITTLE SLOOP (D,BF) D Nicholson 4-10-2 R Dunwoody
10 -603 BROCHE(D) K Bishop 5-10-0 ... L Harvey (7)

9-4 Little Sloop, 3-1 Diamonds High, 4-1 Dancer In Paris, 11-2 Belfalas Lad, 7-1 Arbitrage, 12-1 Broche.

4.35 FRENCHIE NICHOLSON CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,942: 2m 4f) (6)

6 4310 BATTLEFIELD BAND (D) J Blundell 9-11-11 (5ex) ... R Marley (5)
9 4412 CAPA R Holder 6-11-7 ... W McFarland (5)
10 P2-0 DANCING ADMIRAL (V) K Morgan 6-11-4 ... K Ryan
14 22F3 TURKANA W Casey 6-11-0 ... E Buckley
22 4P01 SLIP UP (D) F Gray 6-10-8 ... P Cooney (5)
26 P-80 FULL OF LOVE Mrs A Lee 7-10-0 Samantha Dunster (5)

2-1 Battlefield Band, 5-2 Slip Up, 7-2 Capa, 6-1 Turkana, 12-1 Dancing Admiral, 14-1 Full Of Love.

5.10 NAILSWORTH HANDICAP CHASE (£3,289: 2m) (7)

1 2122 KARNATAK (D) J Spearing 5-11-10 ... S Morshead
2 0-11 PRICE OF PEACE C J Bell 8-11-9 ... S Earle (4)
3 2112 NONSTOP (B,D,BF) P O'Connor 7-11-6 ... H Davies
4 -211 BUTLERS PET (D) T Hallett 7-11-5 ... P Richards
5 121- STARJESTIC (D) C J Bell 8-11-3 ... G Bradley
8 -1U1 PRINCE BUBBLY (D) M Avison 5-10-11 ... R Marley (7)
9 1033 FRENCH NEPHEW (D) Denys Smith 5-10-6 ... C Grant

5-2 Prince of Peace, 7-2 Butlers Pet, 9-2 Prince Bubbly, 11-2 Nonstop, 8-1 Karnatak, 10-1 Starjestic, 12-1 French Nephew.

5.40 GRUNWICK NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (£1,064: 2m) (13)

2 1 WATER EATON SANDY (D) M Pipe 5-11-8 J Lower (4)
5 BONANZA BOY P Hobbs 5-11-6 ... I Wright (7)
6 GREEN SECRET G Yardley 5-11-6 ... Miss A Yardley (7)
9 HENDREW LANE G L Williams 5-11-6 Miss P Whale (7)
12 PONTEUS PILOT D Gandolfo 5-11-6 ... T Wolley (7)
15 0-3 SPARTAN RAFT G Prest 5-11-6 ... Mr T Edwards (7)
17 0 CHACELEY BOY R Brazington 4-11-5 ... Mr M Jones (7)
18 P- DUSTY PATROL J Colston 4-11-5 ... P Reynolds (7)
25 SOME PANIC P Davis 4-11-5 ... G Landau (7)
27 SPEARHEAD WARRIOR P Goggins 4-11-5 B Mensall (7)
28 CATTIVA B Wise 5-11-1 ... Miss Anna Newton-Smith (7)
30 GOLDEN BAZAAR J Cosgrave 4-11-0 ... T Pinfield (7)
31 4 RIGHT FORMULA B Preece 4-11-0 ... Mr R Bevan (7)

4-5 Water Eaton Sandy, 4-1 Spartan Raft, 13-2 Ponteus Pilot, 8-1 Right Formula, 14-1 Bonanza Boy, 20-1 others.

PERTH

Selections

By Mandarin

2.15 Valoroso. 2.45 Foggy Buoy. 3.15 Crack-A-Jim. 3.35 Moon Dawn. 4.15 J-J Henry. 4.45 Kumon Sunshine.

Going: firm

2.15 BANKFOOT CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£566: 2m) (9 runners)

2 /80- CORNERING (B) G Harman 10-11-7 ... K Cotter
4 0024 CLICKHAM LAD (D) N Chamberlain 8-11-2 ... J Owen
5 120- DR GUILLOTINE (CD) W Fairgrieve 11-10-13 G Thomson
6 -030 NORWHISTLE (B,D) T Craig 8-10-11 ... B Hay
9 4-01 VALOROSO N Chamberlain 8-10-6 (5ex) ... C Dennis
10 P0-0 SECRET SIOUX D McCain 4-10-4 ... A Murphy
11 00-8 JUST GRAYLE (D) Mrs G Reveley 7-10-3 ... D Jackson
13 2-PP NATINA-MAY (B) D Yeoman 5-10-1 ... S Turner
14 08-2 SOIXANTE QUINZE I Turnbull 5-10-1 ... J O'Gorman

2.45 METHVEN HANDICAP CHASE (£1,637: 2m 4f) (5)

6 034/ CARPENTER'S SILK (D) T Craig 10-11-7 ... N Doughty
9 -222 FOGGY BUOY (CD,BF) P Calver 12-10-10 ... A Stringer
11 P42U RONAN-PAUL (D) S Leadbetter 13-10-8 ... C Hawkins
12 1222 TUMBLE JIM (C,BF) T Cunningham 7-10-8 M Hammond
13 024- VULBUCK D Moffatt 8-10-7 ... K Teelan

Course specialists

TRAINERS: W A Stephenson, 18 winners from 83 rides, 21.7%; T Craig, 5 from 44, 11.4%; R Allan, 5 from 44, 11.4%. (Only three qualifiers).

JOCKEYS: N Doughty, 20 winners from 90 rides, 22.2%; S Charlton, 1 from 66, 16.7%; R Lamb, 11 from 66, 16.7. (Only three qualifiers).

3.15 EBF NOVICE HURDLE (£960: 2m) (6)

2 P00- WONDERNOT D Moffatt 6-11-0 ... K Teelan
3 43-3 CRACK-A-JIM Miss Z Green 4-10-13 ... S Charlton
5 P8 ALMOST CERTAIN P Beaumont 5-10-8 ... P A Farrell (4)
6 BRIG HOUSE D Lamb 6-10-9 ... R Lamb
7 P00- HENNY PENNY P Monteith 6-10-9 ... D Nolan
8 -292 TINA'S BRIG (BF) W McGhie 5-10-9 Mr K Anderson (7)

15-8 Crack-A-Jim, 9-4 Tina's Brig, 3-1 Almost Certain, 8-1 Brig House, 20-1 Henny Penny, Wondernot.

3.45 ALMONDBANK HANDICAP HURDLE (£822: 2m) (5)

1 311- BORLEAFRAS (C) D Moffatt 8-11-10 ... J Quinn (7)
4 -812 MOONDAWN (CD) K Stone 5-11-1 (6ex) ... A Stringer
5 08-3 SHOUT J Norton 6-10-2 ... C Dennis (7)
6 F802 SPECIAL SETTLEMENT (CD) R Allan 5-10-1 S Charlton
7 4-34 LAUGH-A-MINUTE (D) Mrs D Colbam 7-10-0 ... R Earnshaw

13-8 Borleafras, 11-4 Moondawn, 3-1 Special Settlement, 13-2 Shout, 10-1 Laugh-A-Minute.

4.15 GUILDTOWN NOVICE CHASE (£1,190: 3m) (3)

2 F-01 J-J-HENRY (C) P Beaumont 7-12-2 ... Miss A Beaumont (7)
6 P/PF LITTLE TIGER (B) K Stone 9-11-9 ... A Stringer
9 -04-3 WESTWARD TALBOT B Dickson 9-11-9 ... A Murphy (7)

4-9 J-J-Henry, 5-2 Westward Talbot, 5-1 Little Tiger.

4.45 KINTILLO HANDICAP HURDLE (Amateurs: £828: 3m) (5)

1 1-02 KUMON SUNSHINE (C,D,BF) D Yeoman 9-11-12 ... D Barker (7)
4 3-04 FROSTY TOUCH Mrs E Slack 8-11-0 ... Miss D Slack (7)
7 0300 MAGNOX N Chamberlain 5-10-0 ... J Osborne
8 12U4 MINIATURE MISS W A Stephenson 4-10-0 ... P Doyle (7)
9 0080 MILITARY CROWN Mrs J Evans 9-10-0

4-5 Kumon Sunshine, 3-1 Miniature Miss, 6-1 Frosty Touch, 14-1 Magnox, 33-1 Military Crown.

York results

Going: good to firm

2.15 (6f) 1, WHITE OF MORN (W Wharton, 12-1); 2, Highland Lodge (T Quinn, 5-1 jt-fav); 3, Pilgrim Prince (M Wigham, 14-1). ALSO RAN: 5 jt-fav Burcroft, 6 Its Been Rumoured (4th), 7 Lady Behave, Levert Lass, 12 Whistling Wonder (5th), The Mague, Ling Gold, Mr Berkeley, 14 Gwynbrook, Raunchy Rita, Rhabdomancer (6th), 16 Gardenia Lady, Shady Blade, 20 Harryaker, Swynford Princess, 25 Edenthorpe, Take Effect, Jean Jeanie, Our Horizon, Salop Rouge. 23 ran. ½l, nk, nk, 1l, hd. M McCormack at Wantage. Tote: £23.10; £5.50, £2.20, £3.70. DF: £118.00. CSF: £86.51. 1min 13.82sec. Winner bought in for 4,200gns. After a stewards' inquiry the result stood.

2.45 (1m) 1, SILK TOPPER (Pat Eddery, 5-2 fav); 2, Bocatower (G Starkey, 11-4); 3, Beat Street (T Williams, 12-1). ALSO RAN: 9-2 Spoiled Brat, 8 Bold Tangent (6th), 10 Brimur, Buckra Mellisuga (5th), 11 Mac's Maestro, 14 Foorth Lad (4th), 16 Dress Up, London Cries, Making History, 25 In A Spin, Say You, 33 Night Visitor, Mr Chris Cakemaker. 16 ran. sh hd, 8l, 1½l, 1½l, 1½l. W Hastings-Bass at Newmarket. Tote: £4.00; £1.70, £1.60, £4.80. DF: £5.90. CSF: £12.39. 1min 38.51sec. After a stewards' inquiry the first two placings were reversed.

3.15 (5f) ROTHERFIELD GREYS (J Leach, 100-30 fav); 2, George Williams (B Thomson, 8-1); 3, Bollin Emily (M Birch, 9-2). ALSO RAN: 11-2 Iberian Start, Tobermory Boy (5th), 9 Steel Cygnet (4th), 10 Celtic Bird, China Gold (6th), 14 All Is Forgiven, Be Lyrical, Misic Machine, 25 Pergoda. 12 ran. 1½l, nk, nk, ½l, 1½l. A Hide at Newmarket. Tote: £5.20; £2.50, £2.20, £2.40. DF: £17.80. CSF: £32.18. Tricast: £119.53. 58.54sec.

3.45 (7f) 1, ORIENT LINE (Pat Eddery, 6-4 fav); 2, Sunorius (D McKeown, 16-1); 3, Rough Dance (R Cochrane, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 5 King Krimson, 7 Kings Victory (5th), 8 Beau Benz (4th), Clown Streaker (6th), 16 Penang Beauty, Windmede, 20 Young Snugfit. 10 ran. 2½l, nk, ½l, 1l, 1l. R Hannon at Marlborough. Tote: £2.10; £1.20, £2.50, £2.80. DF: £15.60. CSF: £25.45. Tricast: £147.97. 1min 26.02sec. After a stewards' inquiry the result stood.

4.15 (1m 6f) 1, POKEY'S PRIDE (M Rimmer, 5-1); 2, Galesa (S Cauthen, 100-30); 3, Caesar Imperator (A Clark, 14-1). ALSO RAN: 11-8 fav Castle Rock (6th), 9-2 Kalarmo (4th), 14 Febrino, 33 In Contention (5th), Turina. 8 ran. 4l, 8l, 2l, 15l, 7l. R Sheather at Newmarket. Tote: £5.70; £1.30, £1.40, £3.00. DF: £12.20. CSF: £21.51. 3min 00.01sec.

4.45 (1m 2f 110yd) 1, LYPHLAW (W Carson, 15-8 fav); 2, Samhaan (R Cochrane, 9-2); 3, Magic Tower (T Williams, 11-2). ALSO RAN: 3 Mr Plantation (4th), 11-2 Hawarden (5th), 33 The Lodge Prince (6th). 6 ran. ½l, 1½l, 7l, ½l, 20l. J Dunlop at Arundel. Tote: £2.50; £1.40, £2.10. DF: £7.10. CSF: £9.86. 2min 12.39sec.

Placepot: £96.40.

Cheltenham

Going: firm

2.0 (2m hdle) 1, PELLINCOURT (R Dunwoody, 5-6 fav); 2, Great Aunt Sally (G Dowling, 33-1); 3, New Romney (P Scudamore, 7-4). ALSO RAN: 7 Don Piper (pu), 33 Schlemmer (4th). 5 ran. 8l, 6l, 6l. R Akehurst at Epsom. Tote: £1.80; £1.10, £2.10. DF: £14.80. CSF: £15.73

2.35 (2m 4f ch) 1, WILY YEOMAN (Mr T Grantham, 5-1); 2, Foot Stick (Mr A Geake, 16-1); 3, Book Of Kells (Mr T Thomson Jones, 7-1). ALSO RAN: 3 fav Gowan House (f), 7-2 Cloncormick, 15-2 Kilton Jim (f), 16 Takeaslance (4th), 33 Flaming Tide (5th), Oatpoma (pu). 50 Crawford Cross (6th), Carrigeen Hill, Turnzenberg. 12 ran. 2l, 7l, 3l, 7l, 1½l. J Gifford at Findon. Tote: £5.90; £1.60, £4.00, £1.80. DF: £43.50. CSF: £67.56. Tricast: £493.39.

3.10 (3m 1f hdle) 1, TIMLYN (G Bradley, 11-2); 2, Plaza Toro (Tracy Turner, 11-2); 3, Inchgower (P Scudamore, 7-1). ALSO RAN: 5-2 fav, High Renown (4th), 7 Battlefield Band (5th), 10 Little London, Royal Craftsman, 12 Iwlo (6th), 66 Aston Bank. 9 ran. 2l, 1l, 2l, ½l, 2l. G Balding at Weyhill. Tote: £5.70; £2.00, £1.40, £1.40. DF: £16.40. CSF: £31.64.

3.45 (3m ch) 1, POLLY'S PAL (B Storey, 100-30 fav); 2, Golden Minstrel (R Rowe, 10-1); 3, Crack A Joke (R Crank, 9-2). ALSO RAN: 11-2 Gratification (4th), Georgs Cold, Rolled (ur), 8 Bashful Lad (6th), Conclusive, 20 Gee-A (5th). 9 ran. 3l, 3l, 3l, 4l, 1½l. S Payne at Carlisle. Tote: £3.40; £1.70, £1.80, £1.90. DF: £19.20. CSF: £28.80.

4.20 (2m ch) 1, CAPTAIN DAWN (R Rowe, 5-1); 2, Rivers Edge (A Stringer, 11-2); 3, Reptaghost (G Harker, 7-4 fav). ALSO RAN: 5 Charcoal Wally (4th), 7 Peter Anthony (5th), North Yard (pu). 6 ran. 2l, 15l, nk, 2½l. J Gifford at Findon. Tote: £5.20; £2.60, £2.20. DF: £17.30. CSF: £27.65.

4.55 (2m hdle) 1, KAMADEE (P Scudamore, 4-7 fav); 2, Court Appeal (R Crank, 11-1). ALSO RAN: 7-4 Paris Match (f). 3 ran. 30l. F T Winter at Lambourn. Tote: £1.60. DF: £3.70. CSF: £4.45.

Placepot: £34.85.

Perth

Going: firm

2.15 (2m hdle) 1, Balnerino (C Grant, Evens fav); 2, Bills Ahead (10-11 fav); 3, Shark Fighter (12-1). 3 ran. 10l, dist. Denys Smith. Tote: £1.50. DF: £1.20. CSF: £2.21.

2.45 (2m ch) 1, Joadaile (Mrs S Bradburne, 4-4 fav); 2, Millstreak (8-1). Only two finished. 3 ran. dist. J Bradburne. Tote: £1.40. DF: £1.60. CSF: £3.06.

3.15 (2m 4f hdle) 1, Tromeros (C grant, 4-6 fav); 2, Pounentes (9-4); 3, Tommy Ga (5-1). 3 ran. 7l, 12l. Denys Smith. Tote: £1.30. DF: £1.10. CSF: £2.29.

3.45 (3m ch) 1, Glory Snatcher (P Tuck, 7-2); 2, Ivacop (9-2); 3, Kumon Sunshine (7-4 fav). 4 ran. 1½l, 15l. G Richards. Tote: £2.50. DF: £6.70. CSF: £14.51.

4.15 (2m 4f hdle) 1, Ialiklara (P Niven, 8-15 fav); 2, Sovereign Lad (14-1); 3, General Chandos (9-4). 5 ran. 5l, 25l. Mrs G Reveley. Tote: £1.50; £1.10, £2.40. DF: £4.10. CSF: £7.19.

4.45 (2m ch) 1, Tumble Jim (C Grant, 1-6 fav); 2, Military Crown (4-1). 2 ran. 12l. T Cunningham. Tote: win £1.10.

Placepot: £5.00.

Blinkered first time

YORK: 3.30 Mighty Bold.
LINGFIELD: 2.0 Dick Knight, 2.30 Lindvaro, 3.30 Ambrosini, 4.0 Eastern Command, 4.30 Mirage Dancer, Prince Bold.

First acceptors

William Hill Futurity Stakes: 2-Y-O Colts and Fillies: 1m: Ajdal, Allountash, Alwasmi, Angara Abyss, Arabian Sheik, Asaplian, Ballotto, Bengal Fire, Big Shot-ile, Bobsbest, Bon Grove, Brave Dancer, Brosque, Buckra Mellisuga, Centaurl, Classic Tale, Dr Bulasco, Foresight, French Sonnet, Gesualdo, Glory Forever, Gulf King, Gwynras, Highly Pleased, Honey Dancer, Ibn Bey, Imperial Frontier, Invited Guest, Just A Flutter, Kadan, Kalgoorlie, Lack A Style, Lockton, Love The Groom, Mercer Cunningham, Milan Fair, Mirgaweva, Mr Ezra, Nahdez, New Attitude, Polonia, Punta Calahonda, Rebel Raiser, Reference Point, Risk Me, Rock Chanteur, Rodemont, Rumboogie, Sakura Reiko, Sanam, Santella Sam, Shining Water, Silhouette Dancer, Song Of Sixpence, Stillman, Strath Ferrar, Suhailie, Thameen, Three Generations, Toluca Lake, Warsaw Pact, Water Boatman, Zazzodm, Zarbyev (To be run at Doncaster, 25 October).

YACHTING

British hopes snagged again as they join battle with rogue sail

From Barry Pickthall, Fremantle

For the second day running a snagged genoa sheet dulled the gloss on Britain's America's Cup hopes, this time at the height of a close-fought battle yesterday to be first at the weather mark between White Crusader and Dennis Conner's Stars and Stripes '87.

Up until that deciding point in the race Harold Cudmore, the British skipper, and his crew had been locked in an equal duel with the American boat despite the fact that both had problems with a hurried genoa change when winds suddenly increased from six to 12 knots shortly after the start.

Remarkably for these two hardened match-race opponents, neither Cudmore nor Conner, who lost the cup for the Americans in 1983, chose to play the part of aggressor during the pre-start manoeuvres and Crusader, who crossed the line with her bow in front, had an easy job in winning the favoured right-hand side of the course.

Soon after the British boat was favoured by a shift in the increasing breeze which turned into a big advantage when a newly hoisted genoa came out of its luff foil on the American boat during a hasty headsail change. Crusader's crew were unable to capitalize on their rival's misfortune, for almost immediately afterwards those on the foredeck of the British 12-metre had their hands full controlling their own rogue genoa after the titanium J-lock attaching the sheet suddenly parted.

Closing on that first mark, the two boats were still level pegging – until that fatal sheet snag, which give Conner and his crew a 23-second advantage at the rounding. Encouragingly, Crusader, which has not sparkled under spinnaker this week, narrowed the gap to within 12 seconds at the leeward mark before dropping 30 seconds into the American's wake after Conner applied blanket-cover tactics during the second part of the ensuing beat.

Crusader closed the gap to within 16 seconds again on the two reaching legs but in a rash of energy-sapping cover tacks on the next beat Stars and Stripes finished up with a 1min 16sec advantage at the top mark and extended this by a further three seconds at the finish to score her fourth straight win in the series. The only other crew to match this winning performance so far is New Zealand IV, skippered by Chris Dickson.

Nicknamed "the plastic fantastic", this glassfibre design developed jointly by Ron Holland, Bruce Farr and Laurie Davidson, had a fine scrap against French Kiss yesterday, coming from behind on the last beat to win by 40 seconds.

The New York Yacht Club's champion, America II, gained the measure of Tom Blackaller's rival west coast entry USA II by a 1min 34sec margin and Heart of America gave the hard-pressed Aga Khan-backed Italian crew on Azzurra their fourth loss in a row – this time by a mere 18 seconds.

Others still to break their duck in this Louis Vuitton-sponsored series include the French crew from Marseilles, sailing Challenge France, who trailed Canada II home by 5min 15sec, and those hapless Americans boldly persevering with the 13-year-old Courageous, who were served a 10min 45sec whipping by their fellow countrymen on Eagle – the largest margin of defeat recorded so far.

RESULTS

HEAT 1: New Zealand KZ7 (NZ), 3hr 34mn 39sec bt French Kiss F7 (Fr), 3hr 35min 19sec. Winning margin: 40sec.
HEAT 2: Canada II KC2 (Can), 3:36:04 bt Challenge France F8 (Fr), 3:41:19. Winning margin: 5:15.
HEAT 3: Stars and Stripes US55 (US), 3:32:23 bt White Crusader K24 (GB), 3:33:39. Winning margin: 1:16.
HEAT 4: America II US 46 (US), 3:32:30 bt USA US51 (US), 3:34:04. Winning margin: 1:34.
HEAT 5: Heart of America US51 (US), 3:51:09 bt Azzurra 110 (It), 3:51:27. Winning margin: 0:18.
HEAT 6: Eagle US60 (US), 3:32:43 bt Courageous IV US26 (US), 3:43:28. Winning margin: 10:45.

LEADING POSITIONS

	W	L
Stars and Stripes	4	0
New Zealand IV	4	0
America II	3	0
French Kiss	3	1
White Crusader	2	2
Canada II	2	2
Eagle	2	2
USA	1	3
Italia	1	2
Heart of America	1	3
Challenge France	0	3
Azzurra II	0	4
Courageous IV	0	3

TODAY'S RACES

White Crusader v Challenge France, Stars and Stripes v USA 11, Canada II v French Kiss, Italia v Heart of America, Courageous v Azzurra, America II v New Zealand.

High drama: America II (US-46) edging in front of USA II in their match race yesterday

America's Cup Diary

Cudmore crusade is just beginning

Far from being dismayed at their losses this week against the two leading American 12 metres, Stars and Stripes '87 and America II, the British remain quietly confident that their progressive development programme will see them through to the challenge finals in January.

"Having experienced strong winds here throughout the winter months, White Crusader is not optimized yet for the light conditions we've had so far during this series," Harold Cudmore, the skipper, said yesterday. Part of that programme includes a new keel being cast in Perth this week in time to be fitted to Crusader after this initial round robin series ends on October 20, further developments in mast design and £750,000-worth of new sails.

Ian Howlett, the designer, also returns this week to continue his tank research that has involved almost 1,500 runs in the tanks at Southampton University and at the Admiralty Research Establishment at Haslar.

One thing is certain. There are no breakthrough designs as radical as Australia II, who stole the cup from the Americans and brought it to Perth three years ago. This time the difference between the unbeaten New Zealand IV, Stars and Stripes '87 and America II and the performance of Crusader is small.

On yesterday's results, the 1 minute 16 second difference at the finish between Dennis Conner's San Diego boat, the product of more than $4 million of research, and the Royal Thames entry amounted to 0.005 per cent, so the margin between success and failure has to be measured with a micrometer.

The conservative estimate of the amount invested by the 17 syndicates vying for the Garrod-modelled 100 Guinea Cup is $200 million but judging by the worn docksiders and chipped-out cars parked around Fremantle's harbour little of it is filtering through to the crews.

There are exceptions, of course. If prodded, John Bertrand, who steered Australia II into history in 1983 and answered a nation's prayers, will admit that it has made him a dollar millionaire. Those not eligible for big bonuses must go for high salaries.

Lawrie Smith, the former skipper of Peter de Savary's Victory '83, took home $3,000 a week during the 13 weeks between January 1 and April 1 this year teaching Iain Murray, the skipper of Kookaburra, the finer points of match racing 12 metres.

Back in Fremantle until the end of the cup acting as tune-up skipper to the Taskforce 10 syndicate, the Lancashire sailor has doubled his fee. The Kookaburra school, who also employ Derek Clark, of Britain, as tactician, have enrolled Brian Willis, from the Isle of Wight, for $100,000 to handle rule disputes and protests.

In contrast, the Royal Thames and Alan Bond syndicates work on a grace-and-favour basis. Key personnel and afterguard are paid middle-rank executive salaries, hardly a fortune, but with a handsome system of bonuses if they win.

Meanwhile, the young men working their butts off forward of the wheels are doing it for love, pocket-money and a full plate of food. Bond's rates are $15 a day and all the exercise you can take – but at least they are doing it in the sun.

Barry Pickthall

GOLF

King to challenge in women's open

By Mitchell Platts

Betsy King, who recently passed the $1 million mark in career earnings on the US LPGA Tour, challenges for a £9,000 first prize in the British women's open, which starts on the Royal Birkdale course today.

The first prize dims in comparison with the $286,000 Miss King has won to hold second place in the official LPGA money list this season and she admitted that she has been encouraged to defend her title because of an additional financial arrangement.

"There is some appearance money involved," Miss King said. "I don't think I would have come over if I had been paying my own way with the purse not all that big. But having won the title last year I felt I wanted to come."

The Royal and Ancient are underwriting the championship for the second successive year in an attempt to give it a new lease of life following the involvement of Hitachi in 1984. Then the sponsors put up £160,000 in prizemoney but poor weather and a particularly difficult course for the women led to high scores and television's commitment to the championship immediately ceased.

George Wilson, the financial secretary of the Royal and Ancient, said it cost them in the region of £100,000 last year despite support at Moor Park from Burberry, who are not involved on this occasion. But the majority of holes for this championship are being individually sponsored by companies such as golf equipment manufacturers Mizuno and caterers Payne and Gunter who are making modest contributions.

"The Royal and Ancient involvement is not an open-ended commitment," Wilson said. "It is an effort to assist the championship's future. We are not taking it over and the situation will be reviewed as and when it is decided that the Ladies Golf Union feel they want to go their own way."

Clearly the presence of Miss King along with American compatriots, Debbie Massey, winner in 1980 and 1981, and Robin Walton, and Marta Figueras-Dotti, of Spain, who was successful as an amateur when the championship was last played at Royal Birkdale in 1982, will add to the prestige of this year's event.

Even so there is now such a flourishing home circuit with the WPGA money list being led by Liselotte Neumann, of Sweden, who has already set a seasonal money record with £34,132 in prize winnings, that it promises to be an enthralling championship.

Miss Neumann cannot be overtaken in the Ring and Brymer Order of Merit this week even if one of her nearest challengers, Laura Davies (£24,332), Gillian Stewart (£23,860) or Muriel Thomson (£22,931) is successful, although she is not home and dry yet with the Laing Classic and the Spanish Open still to come.

Card of course

Royal Birkdale

Hole	Yds	Par	Hole	Yds	Par
1	419	5	10	319	4
2	388	5	11	318	4
3	325	4	12	145	3
4	171	3	13	425	5
5	307	4	14	148	3
6	430	5	15	396	5
7	114	3	16	289	4
8	366	4	17	431	5
9	352	4	18	447	5
Out	2,872	37	In	2,916	38

Total yardage: 5,788 Par: 75

Kitrina's leap

Kitrina Douglas has jumped to 13th place in the Ring Brymer WPGA order of merit table following her first victory in two years at the Mitsubishi Colt Cars Jersey Open played last week.

The £3,000 winner's cheque lifted her season's earnings to £15,333, still a long way behind leading money winner, Liselotte Neumann, of Sweden, who has so far grossed £34,132.

ROWING

University challenge suits Lees

By Jim Railton

Just a few weeks after resigning in frustration as the co-ordinator of men's international lightweight rowing, Mark Lees has landed a challenging post at London University.

Lees, aged 30, will be the boathouse manager and chief coach to the University of London Union with a responsibility for men's and women's rowing at all levels from college to the university's top representative crews. It cannot be long before the universities of Oxford and Cambridge consider making similar appointments.

Lees has a tough act to follow which will take all of his talents to better. London University have won 21 Henley Royal Regatta titles over the past 25 years together with 20 national championships since 1973 and their honours board is dotted with European world and Olympic representatives. The university, more than Oxford and Cambridge, have been an integral part of international rowing in the last decade or so.

In the space of five years, Lees has risen from relative obscurity to recognition as a top international coach. He was second rowing coach at Shiplake College before becoming full-time professional coach to Nottinghamshire County Council. There he coached at all levels and developed an elite squad. In this year's world championships, his newly formed men's lightweight coxless four won a silver and Carl Smith and Alan Whitwell, who won gold in the lightweight double sculls, were members of Lees's elite squad.

There is a surge in student rowing at the major universities and channelling this enthusiasm in the right direction merits a full-time post. Lees has the necessary talent, enthusiasm and proven record to lift London University to even greater honours.

Participation can reconcile Dutch socialist elements

DAVID MILLER, Chief Sports Correspondent, reports on Amsterdam's bid for the 1992 Olympic Games

If the members of the International Olympic Committee were to be persuaded in their choice of a host city for the 1992 summer Olympic Games by truly intellectual criteria based on the concepts of Pierre de Coubertin, they would be obliged to select Amsterdam, one of four candidates out of six with a strong socialist element in its leadership.

Ed van Thijn, the socialist mayor of Amsterdam, is one of the most articulate of those involved in the Olympic argument – how a massively expensive, elitist event is relevant to the needs of the ordinary population. For much of his life, van Thijn has been an amateur student of ideologues but he has come through that confusion, in which some Labour councils in Britain now find themselves in relation to sport and competition.

"The basis of social democracy is participation, in sport as much as in politics," van Thijn says. "The greatest danger to socialism is in non-participation. In the Sixties, there was the idea (in Holland) that culture and sport must not be exclusive occupations, that we should concentrate, for example, not on national ballet but on experimental theatre. Yet there has to be a two-way communication between grass roots and top level performance.

A conception of social balance

"We are against national fever and commercialism in sport, but we have to have our heroes. When Anton Geesink won the gold medal in Tokyo, judo in Holland hugely increased. What is sport without competition? When I go jogging, I am looking at my stopwatch!"

The reason why van Thijn is putting his influence alongside that of the government and commerce in Amsterdam's bid is that "sport for all" in Holland is already a reality. Six million of the 15 million population are engaged in sport and four million of them belong to the country's 32,000 sports associations, run mainly by 600,000 volunteers. It is the highest concentration of sportsmen and women in any country. "The principle of participation in Holland is already achieved," van Thijn said.

The other community aspect of Amsterdam's 1992 Foundation is its attempt to reverse the new-town trend of development away from the city centre, which is now seen to emasciate the city yet still leave the new-town areas isolated. "We don't think new towns work," Smart Kamminga, vice-chairman of the Foundation, says. "What we are hoping to do with the Olympics is pool together Amsterdam's living forces: the citizens, industry and politics."

They see the Olympics as regenerating certain areas of the city, as was achieved in Munich in 1972 when the Olympic village and stadium complex was created on an old refuse area.

"The Games here have a conception of social balance, dominated by neither commerce nor government," van Thijn says. "Amsterdam is a city without the political complications which have confronted the Olympic movement for two decades. We are a country without enemies. We are not known for our nationalism, we don't think we are important in the world. We are small, stable, and modest. We would move away from gigamticism, and, of necessity, our Games would be compact. We have no choice."

While not having the same proximity of village, main stadium and many other sports which Birmingham would have, Amsterdam plans a condensed complex, with few distances of more than five kilometres, all linked by its efficient city motorway network. An advantage over all the candidates, other than Brisbane, is that its facilities are already constructed and impose apart from the village, to be created on a horticultural area, and a new Olympic stadium. The old stadium from 1928 will not be used.

It has, of course, local opposition from the No Olympics campaign led by Mrs Saar Boerlage, an ecologist, university sociology teacher and former city council representative for the Pacific Socialist Party. Mrs Boerlage has been somewhat discredited by her past opposition to the World Trade Centre, the Metro, and the new opera house, all of them operating satisfactorily in the public interest. She is expected, nonetheless, to be lobbying in Lausanne when the special, royal blue, two-carriage train-load of Amsterdam representatives rolls into IOC headquarters today.

Amsterdam's other disadvantages are natural modesty and the city's drug reputation. It has done less conspicuous campaigning than all but Belgrade. "We are naturally cautious," Kamminga says. "We did economic and technical feasibility studies first, and only when we got the green light from the government and city council did we publicize our plans."

Danger for health and dignity

Van Thijn believes the city is on top of the drug crisis, and smiles at the suggestion, made by some IOC members, that competitors would be confronted by traffickers. "We had been tolerant as a city rather than permissive. Our mistake was to think drugs were a health problem, that addicts were patients! Now we have changed this philosophy. Drug addiction has nothing to do with moral freedom of mind: it is a danger for health and dignity and for tolerance itself, generating intolerance.

"Our repressive policy, strict registration of addicts and medical assistance only for nationals, has diminished the traffic and created an international interest in the success of our measures. In six years' time, drugs will not be a primary concern any more."

● *TOMORROW: How the six contenders for 1992 rate their chances*

Turning for home

By John Goodbody

When the British Olympic Association chose Birmingham to be Britain's candidate for the 1992 Olympics in July 1985, Denis Howell compared his city's late bid to Lester Piggott rounding Tattenham corner in the Derby. "The winning post is in sight and we are set to overtake the rivals."

Yesterday, nine days before the International Olympic Committee name which of the six cities has been successful, Mr Howell MP, and chairman of the Birmingham Olympic Council, said: "As we go to Lausanne we are up and alongside the favourites and ready to win by a neck."

Princess Anne, the President of the British Olympic Association greeted Mr Howell's final address at yesterday's BOA annual general meeting with the words: "You have got a very good bid. Like Lester Piggott you did not waste a lot of words but you got the job done."

Later during her presidential address, she said: "If it is successful it will be a tremendous boost for British sport." Mr Howell, a former sports minister, who has flown three times round the world and spoken to all 168 other Olympic Associations said: "There are no favourites now."

Under the system to determine the 1992 hosts the least successful candidate drops out in each round until one city obtains 51 per cent of the votes."

Birmingham, who have spent £2.3 million on their bid compared with the £9 million of Barcelona, the favourites to stage the Games, will take a party of nearly 100 to Lausanne.

KARATE

Donovan's dilemma over top trio

By Nicolas Soames

It was presumed that today's return of the successful British team from the world championships in Australia would mark the end of the years of domination by Vic Charles, aged 32, Jeoff Thompson, aged 28, and Pat McKay, aged 29.

Ticky Donovan, the manager and coach, must have thought he would be forced to seek young talent to fill the void, but with their third world title, as well as gold and silver medals in the heavyweight category, it appears the leading trinity strongly wish to continue.

"It was clear in Australia that there was no one to touch them, so there seems no reason for them to retire," Donovan said. "As far as I am concerned, they, with Mike Sailsman and Gerry Fleming, could be unchanged in two year's time."

McKay especially, still smarting after narrowly losing his world light-heavyweight title, is spurred by the lure of winning a European title next May in front of his home Glasgow crowd.

Despite Charles's enthusiasm, his coaching activities make it highly unlikely that he will still compete in 1988. Nevertheless, the shadow cast by these top veterans is so strong that perhaps the younger generation have effectively been stifled.

Once they have gone, the heavyweights may take time to regenerate a world class team, and this may be Donovan's dilemma.

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SQUASH RACKETS: A CONFLICT OF INTERESTS AS THE NEW SEASON OPENS

Sponsorship money dulls the senses

By Colin McQuillan

Squash rackets is deeply competitive. It has been labelled boxing without brain damage but, over the last few days, there have been certain developments to suggest that analogy is not necessarily universal.

The successful American Express national league started its third season on Tuesday, dominated by the introduction of lunchtime fixtures on Britain's first permanent, transparent glass showcourt, at Cannons Club in London. The arrival of this arena is a direct challenge to the year-old decision of the Squash Rackets Association to subsidize its own, demountable, Perspex showcourt by adding hire arrangements to its private usage in major tournaments.

The SRA is privately peeved at what promises to be considerably cheaper opposition in the court-hire market, but publicly welcomes another facet in the ever-increasing profile of squash.

Cannons stretched official goodwill further, however, by signing a private sponsorship deal with InterCity, already heavily committed to the game. American Express are even less enthusiastic about the arrangement; John Peterson, the vice-president, was infuriated by the submerging of his company's identity under the announcements of the club sponsor.

Cannons have also decided to mount a major international tournament on their new court. "There is a slot on the calendar just before the British Open Championships which we have nominated for," the Cannons manager, Gary Oliver, said. "We would like to make our tournament a regular warm-up event to the British Open at Wembley, the equivalent of Queens to Wimbledon in tennis."

A wonderful idea, until mischievous journalism promotes it into a rival to the Open, designed to replace this prestigious tournament on the international grand prix circuit, which itself is an interesting quantity. It exists, as yet, as the hopeful experiment of a new body, the Men's International Squash Tournament Council.

Its framework is the burgeoning open tournament circuit, which MISTC is doing much to enlarge but which still depends heavily upon historic national tournaments, such as the British Open. However, until such elements as protection for individual organisations and sponsors are decided, the SRA chooses not to include its major event on the list.

RESULTS: InterCity-Cannons 4, Visco Monroe 1; Poundstretcher Dunnings Mill 5, Arrow Village Prestwich 0; Chapel Allerton 5, Ardleigh Hall 0; Halls West Country 1, Manchester Northern 4; Ekol Leicester 4, Home Ales Nottingham 1.

Hooked on the art of imitation

By Conrad Voss Bark

FISHING

"I always fish the nymph, dear boy. It is so much more interesting." You can hear them saying it. "If you fish a lake or reservoir from the bank you offer the trout a pattern of fly that imitates the insect on which they are feeding or are likely to feed."

It sounds reasonable but it may not be. It has sounded so reasonable for the past half century that the gurus of still-water imitative fly fishing have been saying more or less the same thing beyond remembrance. By long usage, an article of faith, a matter of holy writ, that imitative stillwater fly fishing cannot be questioned.

Yet the fact is that imitative stillwater fly fishing is based on assumptions that the gurus of the craft seem to have wilfully or possibly accidentally disregarded. One assumption is that wool and tinsel on a hook can imitate a moving, twisting and wriggling living insect, another that trout cannot tell the difference.

It may well be that the stillwater gurus all these years have been tying up the wrong fly. There is no saying one way or the other but it is worth considering. Is the effort to create a likeness of a living insect, for exact imitation cannot be achieved, less rewarding than the effort to suggest one? Should we not aim to create the illusion of life rather than a model of it?

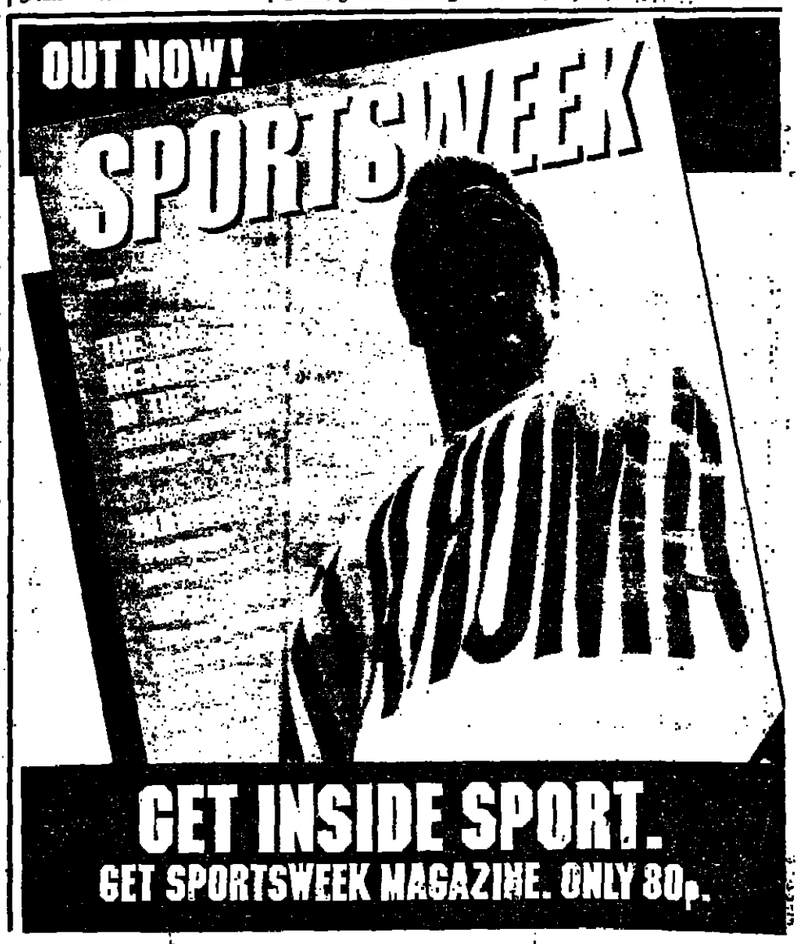
Our grandfathers thought so for they could have tied up an imitation of a cod bait, but they didn't, instead they tied up their Invictas and Greenwells and Coppemaras and fished them underwater where they did not imitate anything at all but somehow, by some means or other, created the illusion of a living creature.

ATHLETICS

On the road to success

Jon Solly and Steve Binns, the two English club-mates who fought out a thrilling 10,000 metres race at the Commonwealth Games in Edinburgh, will lead Britain's challenge in the first world road relay championships to be held in Hiroshima, Japan, on November 30.

Men: 5km: G Turnbull (Gateshead); 7km: J Solly (Bingley); 8km: S Binns (Bingley); 10km: C Thackery (Hallamshire); 12.195km: J Ashworth (Bingley). Women: 4.195km: J-A Laughton (Derby); 5km: C Cahill (Aldershot, Farnham and District); 7km: R Partridge (as Cantl); 8km: S Samy (Blackheath); 9km: W Sly (Hounslow); 10km: P Fudge (Hounslow).



Sarah Hemmings

MOTOR RACING

A rare experience with favourable portents for an English driver

From John Blunsden, Mexico City

This week, for the first time since 1970, grand prix motor racing is making a return visit to Mexico City as a last stopping-off point before then end of the 16-race, world championship season in Adelaide in two weeks' time.

For every driver, Sunday's Mexican Grand Prix will be a new experience, the first time they will have been called upon to race in the rarified atmosphere of a circuit perched on a plateau some 7,400 ft above sea level. Of the 14 teams which constitute the grand prix field, only five — Brabham, Ferrari, Lotus, McLaren and Tyrrell — were in Mexico on that last occasion, and, even for them, there is likely to be little of value in their circuit notebooks as they prepare for Sunday's race.

In the intervening period, and especially during the past few months, the circuit has undergone a major transformation to meet mandatory safety standards. In particular, it is now lined with substantial barriers and fences to contain spectators whose enthusiasm in the past has often proved beyond the ability of either police or army to control.

The circuit configuration has been altered in two ways. What was previously a very fast right-hand bend at the end of the main straight is now a slower right-left-right series, while at the far end of the circuit a very tight hairpin, which used to be taken at a crawl, has been bypassed by a series of medium-speed curves. The result is a reduction in lap-length from 3.07 to 2.75 miles.

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Coping with the high temperatures, caused by having to run turbo-charged engines in a thin-air atmosphere, is likely to be the major pre-occupation for all teams during the days ahead, but for three drivers — Nigel Mansell, Nelson Piquet and Alain Prost — this weekend is all about world championship points. Of the three, only Mansell can secure the title in Mexico; the other two can only do so by scoring points in both the remaining races.

Mansell is trying, with increasing difficulty, not to think about the championship, but he may be comforted to know that, on two occasions in the past, the title went to an English driver while taking part in the Mexican Grand Prix in competition with his two remaining championship rivals. In 1964 John Surtees became world champion on the last lap after a battle with Jim Clark and *Graham Hill, while in 1968 it* was Hill's turn to take his second title ahead of Jackie Stewart and Denny Holme.

Since the last race in Portugal, the Williams team have carried out a programme of engine and chassis tests in Austria, where Mansell was considerably encouraged by the results. Nothing, however, can match testing on the circuit to be used for the race, which is why preliminary test facilities, due to be laid on by the race organizers today, will be such an important stage for everyone in the run-up to Sunday's race.

CRICKET: ENGLAND SPINNER GIVEN THE ALL-CLEAR

Villain of the piece: Phil Edmonds arriving at Lord's yesterday

Edmonds makes his peace

By John Goodbody

Phil Edmonds, the England and Middlesex left-arm spinner, yesterday apologized to the Test and County Cricket Board for his remarks during a television interview on Monday's Terry Wogan Show and is now clear to fly out today with the party to Australia.

"The matter is now considered closed," said Mr Donald Carr, secretary of the TCCB, after talking to Edmonds at Lord's over his discussion with David Frost, a guest interviewer.

A Board statement said Edmonds apologized sincerely for any embarrassment which may have been caused by flippant comments he made on television.

"He reiterated a full acceptance of the Board's requirements set out in the tour contract. Further, he stressed that he recognized the particular importance of the forthcoming tour to Australia and that he was looking forward to playing a full part in the England team's efforts to retain the Ashes," the statement said.

Edmonds was drawn into talking briefly about the tour when he and his wife, Frances, were chatting with Frost. The TCCB considered these remarks in "very bad taste" and ordered Edmonds to appear before them.

All members of the tour party have agreed to abide by a contract which rules out talking publicly about the tour. The TCCB stopped Ian Botham from appearing on last night's Thames TV's Midweek Sport Special.

During the interview, Edmonds and his wife made several jocular comments about the TCCB's ruling about players not giving interviews to the press and also about the rule forbidding players' wives to go to Australia for the first six weeks of the tour.

When he was asked about the forthcoming trip, Edmonds declined to answer but then added: "I will just do a bit of telepathy with Frances and see what she thinks. Frances thinks we are coming round after the debacle in the West Indies and we have developed into a cohesive unit. It will be a very good tour she thinks."

Edmonds also referred to the fact that during the 1958-59 tour of Australia, Peter May, then the England captain and now the chairman of the selectors, had been accompanied by his wife.

Edmonds said before the meeting that he did not think any of his remarks could be construed as being in bad taste.

Mrs Edmonds, who wrote a controversial book, *Another Bloody Tour* about last winter's disastrous trip to the West Indies, is not covered by the TCCB regulations.

Edmonds, who in the past has given his comments on cricket to a London radio station and a national newspaper, was released from these commitments before the selectors met to pick the party and so was available for the tour.

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RUGBY LEAGUE

Emulating records take second place for Furner

By Keith Macklin

Don Furner, coach of the 1986 Australian tourists, never talks to his players about the 1982 tour. Furner is determined that there will be no comparisons made between his team and the all-conquering 1982 Kangaroos, who won every game in Britain and established an all-time record.

The 1986 party arrived at their Leeds hotel yesterday afternoon after being delayed for an hour-and-a-half at Heathrow Airport because of fog in the north of England. Nevertheless, Furner and his players were confident and cheerful and the Australian coach immediately scotched any idea that his ambition was to emulate the undefeated record of the 1982 squad.

"I am not going to let that bother me or affect my planning," he said. "I never mention 1982 to the players and as far as I am concerned this is a different tour under different conditions and changing circumstances, with Great Britain preparing themselves better than ever.

"I am most concerned about winning all the international matches in Britain and France and if it happens that we win all our matches, well and good. But it is not a primary aim and if I have to leave out key players for tactical reasons, or to protect them from possible injury, I will not hesitate to do so. There is no point in having a squad of two complete teams and only concentrating on the international side."

Furner, who toured with Australia as a forward in 1956, is the coach of one of the new clubs in Australia, the Canberra Raiders, who have broken the Sydney monopoly and are attracting 10,000 spectators to home games. In his party are several players, including the captain Wally Lewis, Peter Sterling, Mal Meninga, Brett Kenny, Noel Cleal, Martin Bella, Greg Dowling and Paul Langmack, who have played for English clubs.

However, the coach of the Kangaroos yesterday earmarked several "unknowns" for British spectators to look out for. They include the replacement for Eric Grothe, the scrum half Greg Alexander, forwards Les Davidson and Steve Roach, and backs Garry Jack, Les Kiss and Chris Mortimer.

The manager of the touring party is John Fleming, who was manager for this year's internationals with New Zealand and the business manager is Gordon Treichel, who was co-manager of Australia for the internationals against Great Britain in 1984 and New Zealand this year.

Revenge the key in Lowe's private war

No one, apart from Graham Lowe himself, knows how badly the Wigan coach wants to beat Australia in Sunday's opening game of the 1986 Tour. Every English manager and coach will want to do what no team managed on the 1982 Tour, to win against the invincible Kangaroos. With Lowe, the desire encompasses a deep-rooted, nagging need.

Lowe joined Wigan at the start of the season, at a reputed figure of £40,000 a year, after several years as coach to the New Zealand international side, who, during the summer, lost another series to Australia. He is still smarting from those defeats, convinced that over the past few years the Australians have been as much lucky as unbeatable and determined that another huge Wigan crowd topping 20,000 will stand at the end of the game to salute the first victory by a club side over Australia since Widnes won 11-10 in 1978.

Lowe has already sampled the sweet taste of success over the Kangaroos, an international win which catapulted him into the realm of top coaches. It was in July 1983 in the second of two internationals. Australia had continued their long immunity from defeat at all levels by beating the Kiwis 16-4 at Auckland and on their home ground at Brisbane, they were expected to win comfortably.

However, Lowe and his New Zealand squad tore into the Aussies, tackled like men inspired and disturbed Australia's free-flowing game so much that

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New Zealand caused world-wide amazement by winning 19-12. It was a win that proved that the wearers of the green and gold jerseys were human beings and not machines.

Since then there has been a mutual and professional antipathy between the Australians and Lowe. Australia enjoyed beating the Kiwis in the summer, putting Lowe firmly back in his place. On Sunday, Wigan's New Zealander feels it may be his turn again.

Lowe has two big worries. He has to get his players to shake off the memory of defeat at Warrington last Sunday, a beating sustained when he was without his star back Ellery Hanley, with the Great Britain loose forward Andy Goodway operating as hooker in a side affected by injuries. Hanley's injured knee is the other worry, but it is responding to treatment and if he is anywhere near fit, he will be thrown into the fray on Sunday.

Australia are taking the Central Park game so seriously that it is being billed down under and planted in the tourists' consciousness as "the fourth Test match" with Australia, after thrashing Papua New Guinea 60-12 in a warm-up game en route to yesterday's arrival in England, turning out their strongest available side.

TENNIS

Loosemore shows her power in win

By Rex Bellamy, Tennis Correspondent

Sarah Loosemore, whose fifteenth birthday is less than four months behind her, reached the last 16 of the women's singles with a 6-4, 6-4, win over the sixth seed, Julie Salmon, in the Refuge Assurance national championships at Telford yesterday. Miss Salmon thus lost in the second round for the fourth consecutive year.

Miss Loosemore, who lives and studies on the outskirts of Cardiff, travels to Slough once a week to work with Ken Fletcher. He said of her yesterday: "It's not often you get a 15-year-old who can whack 'em like that. She's a good athlete and has a good sense for the game. She has that little bit extra."

Annabel Croft had an interesting story to tell after her 6-1, 6-0 win over Julie Donovan, aged 15. In the past three weeks, two of them spent in Spain at what she describes as "a fat farm", Miss Croft has taken off 18lbs. Excess weight had affected her tennis for two years, she said yesterday, and she had a shock when she stepped on the scales after the United States championships. So she spent about £2,000 on the Spanish slimming course, considered the money well spent, and is now on a high protein diet of 600 calories a day.

In the men's singles, three talented left-handers won tough matches. Mike Walker, the most exciting of the trio, was taken to 7-5, 7-6, by the local hero, Leslie Davies, of Shrewsbury. Stuart Bale, who spent last week practising with Boris Becker and Eric Jelen, was pushed to 7-6, 6-4, by the Ilkley coach, Simon Ickringill, who last year had six match points against the eventual champion, Jeremy Bates. Both served well.

The youngest of the three left-handed winners, Richard Whichello, won 6-2, 4-6, 8-6, against the far more experienced Rohun Beven, also left-handed, who will be head coach at Eastbourne's new leisure complex, The Ball Park, when it opens next March.

In addition to reminders that left-handers are a minority breed with consequent advantages, yesterday also raised echoes of the cliché that a good big 'un will eventually beat a good little 'un. That was true of Stephen Shaw's win over Brent Parker and Jonathan Southcombe's dismissal of *David Shann. In each case the* score was 7-6, 6-2. The big punches began to hurt.

RESULTS: Women: Singles: Second round: A Croft (Kent) bt J Donovan (Warwicks), 6-1 6-0; S Sullivan (Essex) bt J Reeves (Kent), 6-1 6-4; S Loosemore (S Wales) bt J Salmon (Sussex), 6-4, 6-4; J Louis (Devon) bt K Hunter (Surrey), 6-3 7-5; J Tacon (Norfolk) bt C Bateman (Essex), 6-3 6-3; S Reeves (Kent) bt A Niepel (Lancs), 6-2 6-1. Men: Singles: Second round: S Shaw (Middx) bt B Parker (Durham), 7-6, 6-2; J Goodall (Yorks) bt J Dier (Sussex), 6-2, 7-5; S Bale (Middx) bt S Ickringhill (Yorks), 7-6, 6-4; J Southcombe (Devon) bt D Shann (Herts), 7-6, 6-2; R Whichello (Kent) bt R Beven (Sussex), 6-2, 4-6, 8-6; M Walker (N Wales) bt L Davies (Shropshire), 7-5 7-6.

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RUGBY UNION: A PROBLEM WITH INJURIES

Cementing student relations

By David Hands

The Combined England Students, delighted with their success against Japan at Oxford on Tuesday — their first meeting with a touring team as a combined unit — will not compete again until April 8, when they play Welsh Students at a venue in Wales still to be arranged.

Many of those who played against the Japanese will be ineligible then, since the student selectors were forced to pick on the basis of last season's form and student status. Further details of the representative student season will be decided at a meeting later this month and may include a game between an Oxbridge XV and an English Students XV.

This idea is being pondered by the committees concerned but, in any case the English Students (which excludes Ox*ford and Cambridge Univer*sities) hope to have a two-match tour in France in the spring, including a game against the French Students.

Should that tour be confirmed it would be a "homecoming" for Tim Edbrook, who captained theteam on Tuesday. He has finished at Exeter University and is now studying for a sports science degree in Bordeaux, where he plays for Begles-Bordeaux. The lanky flanker, who played in England's final under-23 international, against Spain last season, would still qualify for the side in the same way that Colin Laity, a student at the South Glamorgan Institute in Cardiff, does.

It is also interesting to note that, amid the pristine freshness of an Iffley Road much refurbished, thanks to generous sponsorship from Ricoh, the camera manufacturers, and the cemented association with Yamaichi (who sponsor the annual game against Major R V Stanley's XV), moves are afoot to start an Oxford University women's rugby club, further evidence of expansion in an area which saw England stage their first women's international last season, against France.

Timely help for Ulster

Digital's involvement in Irish rugby passed £100,000 annually with the announcement in Belfast yesterday that they would sponsor the Ulster senior league for £30,000 over the next three seasons (George Ace writes).

Brian Watt, branch manager, Belfast, revealed that Digital would also continue with the special award for the team scoring the most tries in the league. "We feel this encourages clubs to play more openly."

Mr Watt also intimated that Digital would again be involved in the sponsorship of the three internationals at Lansdowne Road this season against Romania, England and France.

Southern doubt for Lancashire

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

Lancashire's selectors will hope tonight that Sammy Southern, their captain, has recovered from an ankle injury when they choose the side to play in the first county championship match of the season, against Cheshire at Orrell next Wednesday. Southern's injury was sustained in training and he is doubtful for Orrell's John Smith's merit table A game with Moseley on Saturday.

Several members of the Waterloo side, including Jim Syddall, the twice-capped England lock, are not available for Lancashire this season. Since Wade Dooley, the Preston Grasshopper, is only on the verge of returning from the knee ligament injury he sustained playing for the British Lions at Cardiff in April, Lancashire will certainly have a new pairing at lock from that which helped *them to the semi-finals of last* season's championship, sponsored by Thorn EMI, when Syddall was the captain.

Their perennial rivals, Yorkshire, will announce the team to play Northumberland at Percy Park after training at Selby on Sunday. There has been a run on Yorkshire centres this season, John Buckton (Saracens), Steve Burnhill (Leicester) and Bryan Barley (Wakefield), are all injured.

Burnhill is to have an exploratory operation on a damaged knee, but Buckton is hoping to resume playing in a fortnight after suffering a kidney injury during a game in the first week of the season. Unbeaten Saracens are in the happy position of being able to watch him return to full fitness in the second team.

Yorkshire will be led this season by Mike Harrison, the England wing, who will be pleased to have a full hand of loose forwards to choose from, among them Peter Winterbottom, Peter Buckton — both England squad men — and Simon Tipping (Sale).

Durham will be without John Howe, the lock who won divisional honours with them last season. He joined Saracens this season and has made himself available for the London divisional squad. Durham's first game is against Cumbria at Aspatria next Wednesday and they have gone heavily for mobility, since they are without four of last season's successful forwards. Steven Harms, a North Walian now playing for Durham City, comes in at full back and Steve Hackney and Will Carling, two former England Schools backs, play wing and centre. Andy Mullins, a member of Tuesday's successful Combined England Students XV against Japan, is at prop.

DURHAM: S Harms (Durham City); S Hackney (West Hartlepool), I Dee (Hartlepool Rovers), W Carling (Durham University), D Cooke (Middlesbrough); J Stabler (West Hartlepool), S Kirkup (Durham City); A Mullins (Durham University), M Fenwick, (Durham City), G Cook (West Hartlepool), D Mitchell (West Hartlepool), J Dixon (West Hartlepool), M Howard (Durham City, capt), B Hodder (West Hartlepool), G Dinsdale (Hartlepool Rovers).

Ellesmere power play reaps its rewards

By Michael Stevenson

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Ellesmere were far too strong in the forwards for Rydal, who showed considerable spirit but deteriorated defensively in the closing stages to lose by a goal and a try to four goals, two tries and two penalties.

The spirit was willing for a long time, but Rydal's tackling in the closing stages was reduced to tatters.

Ellesmere led through an early penalty by Marvell but lively handling by Rydal and two slick switches gave Willis his chance to exploit an overlap on the left and score.

Consistent pressure brought Ellesmere their first try. Wild snapped up a loose ball, made ground and fed Richards, whose angular, bustling run frustrated several would-be tacklers. He scored under the posts and Marvell converted.

A penalty try gave Rydal a 10-9 half-time lead. Harries, hacking on a loose ball near the Ellesmere line, was tackled off the ball and Goldsmith made no mistake with the conversion.

After the interval it was a different story, however, as Ellesmere put on the pressure with tries from Weighill, Birchill, Cooper and the powerful Braithwaite. Together with Marvell's excellent goalkicking, Ellesmere were in complete control.

SCORERS: Rydal: Try: Willis. Penalty try. Con: Goldsmith. Ellesmere: Tries: Richards, Weighill, Hammond, Birchall, Cooper, Braithwaite. Cons: Marvell (4); Pens: Marvell (2).
RYDAL: M Yeoman; A Moore, A Arnold, J R Jones, S Willis; P Goldsmith, S Dale-Jones; B Lay, S Thompstone, J Clarke, M Pritchard-Howarth, L Hunter, M Weiss, H Bradley, R Harries.
ELLESMERE COLLEGE: J Birchall; N Cookson, O Braithwaite, C Hammond, J Shaw; D Marvell, M Cooper; T Richards, K Bamford, C Tarquini, I Cooke; R Hulme, N Buck, M Weighill, S Wild.
Referee: D Wilcox (Liverpool Society).

Fijian frolic

The Fijian Barbarians, who arrive in Britain for a 12-match tour on October 26, began their world tour against a Past and Present Argentine XV in Buenos Aires at the weekend, losing 45-38. There have been some amendments to their schedule and they will now meet Moseley on November 9, North Wales at Wrexham on December 3 and conclude with a game against Camborne on December 7.

BASKETBALL

Kingston on bent knee

Seeking a monopoly in domestic honours does not compensate Team Polycell Kingston for what Andy Innell, a player, described yesterday as "the most numbing defeat I have known in my three years at the club" (Nicholas Harling writes).

Kingston's 104-90 eclipse by Racing Maes Pils Mechelen on Tuesday brought a subdued party home from the medieval ecclesiastical centre of Belgium, their prayers having gone unanswered judging from the 195-189 aggregate scoreline in the first round of the European Cup Winners' Cup.

Kingston had hoped for a lengthy run in Europe, extending an eight-point cushion from the first leg to 15 points midway through the first half. Even with seven minutes left and four baskets up, Kingston looked good until Raivio, the American, ran riot, taking a meagre eight points in the first half to a total of 37 in the second — the Belgian club at one stage scoring 13 points without reply.

Kingston were finished. "We were not smart," Kevin Cadele, their coach, said, refusing to give Kingston the excuse that Bontrager, their play-maker, was ill and coughed through the match. "We didn't play as a team and that cost us. We had the physical ability, but not the mental ability. My job must ensure it doesn't happen again."

TUESDAY'S FOOTBALL RESULTS

LITTLEWOODS CUP: Second round, first leg: Walsall 0, Millwall 1. Second round, second leg: Birmingham 3, Middlesbrough 2 (aet: score after 90 min 1-1; agg 5-4); Blackburn 2, Queen's Park Rangers 2 (agg 3-4); Bury 0, Crystal Palace 1 (agg 0-1); Fulham 2, Liverpool 3 (agg 2-13); Gillingham 1, Oxford United 1 (agg 1-7); Grimsby 1, Hull 1 (agg 1-2); Huddersfield 1, Arsenal 1 (agg 1-3); Ipswich 2, Scunthorpe 0 (agg 4-1); Newport 1, Everton 5 (agg 1-8); Portsmouth 2, Wrexham 0 (agg 4-1); Port Vale 2, Manchester United 5 (agg 2-7); Rochdale 1, Watford 2 (agg 2-3); Rotherham 0, Coventry 1 (agg 2-4); Sheffield United 3, Bristol City 0 (agg 5-2); West Bromwich Albion 0, Derby County 1 (agg 1-5); West Ham 4, Preston North End 1 (agg 5-2); Wimbledon 2, Cambridge United 2 (aet: score after 90 min 2-2; agg 3-3; Cambridge won on away goals).

FA TROPHY: First qualifying round replays: Ashford 5, Bognor Regis 1; Bromley 1, Leyton-Wingate 0; Canterbury 3, Hayes 3 (aet); Clandown 0, Maidenhead United 1; Dover 1, Thanet 0; Hornchurch 1, Boreham Wood 3 (aet); Leatherhead 4, Aveley 2; Sheppey 1, Basingstoke 1; Whitley Bay 2, Gretna 0; Staines 2, Basildon 0.

GM VAUXHALL CONFERENCE: Frickley 0, Runcorn 2; Stafford 1, Gateshead 0; Telford 1, Norwich 0; Wealdstone 3, Welling 1; Kettering 0, Kidderminster 2.

VAUXHALL-OPEL LEAGUE: Premier division: Bromley , Croydon; Harrow 2, Wycombe 1; Hitchin 0, Slough 2. First division: Basildon , Grays; Bracknell 3, Uxbridge 3; Oxford City 7, Finchley 1; Tilbury 2, Billericay 5; Walton and Hersham 2, Southwick 3. Second division north: Hemel Hempstead 0, Vauxhall Motors 3; Hertford 0, Saffron Walden 0; Wivenhoe 1, Cheshunt 0; Wolverton 0, Barton Rovers 0. Second division south: Camberley 0, Chertsey 2; Egham 0, Dorking 1; Hungerford 0, Chalfont St Peter 1; Southall 1, Metropolitan Police 0; Whyteleafe 3, Feltham 1.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Midland division: Rushden 0, Coventry Sporting 4.

MULTIPART LEAGUE: Buxton 5, Bangor 3; Gainsborough 2, Hyde 2; Marine 0, Rhyl 0 (abandoned after 48 min, floodlight failure); Morecambe 1, Chorley 0; Witton 2, Matlock 2.

CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Sheffield Wednesday 3, Sunderland 0.

HERTS CHARITY SHIELD, semi-final: Berkhamsted Town 1, Baldock 0.

ESSEX SENIOR TROPHY, First round, replay: Harwich and Parkeston 2, Collier Row 0.

Slowcoach Paris

Paris (Reuter) — The French first division football club, Racing Paris, have replaced their Yugoslav manager, Sylvester Takac, with their reserve team coach, Victor Zvunka, after the club's poor start to the season. Takac helped Racing regain their first division place last season.

FOR THE RECORD

TENNIS

SCOTSDALE, Arizona: WCT men's open: First round (US unless stated): J Yzaga (Peru) bt N Odizor (Nigeria) 6-4, 7-5; L Lavalle (Mex) bt G Michibata (Can) 6-4, 4-6, 6-2; J Arias bt T Nelson 6-4, 6-4; S Giammalva bt B Scanlon 7-5, 3-6, 6-4; M Anger bt G Donnelly 5-7, 7-6, 6-1.

TOULOUSE: Men's grand prix tournament: First round: J Pober (Fr) bt R Osterthun (WG) 7-5, 6-1; J Gunnarson (Swe) bt Flego (Yugo) 6-4, 6-4; S Eriksson (Swe) bt H Skoff (Austria) 6-4, 6-3; D Perez (Uru) bt H Sundstrom (Swe) 6-2, 7-5; J Hlasek (Switz) bt F Bardot (Fr) 6-3, 6-3; T Smid (Cz) bt M Bahrami (Iran) 6-3, 6-7, 6-7, T Tulasne (Fr) bt P Arraya (Peru) 6-4, 4-6, 10-8.

BARCELONA: Women's exhibition tournament: Semi finals: H Mandlikova (Cz) bt R Reggi (It) 4-6, 6-3, 6-1; M Navratilova (US) bt T Scheuer-Larsen (Den) 6-1, 4-6, 6-0.

TEL AVIV: Israeli men's grand prix tournament: First round: M Westphal (WG) bt E Edwards (SA) 4-6, 6-3, 7-5; G Bloom (Isr) bt M Dickson (US) 6-2, 3-6, 6-1; P Carlsson (Swe) bt D Visser (SA) 6-3, 6-0; S Perkiss (Isr) bt C Hooper (US) 2-6, 6-1, 6-4; R Bathman (Swe) bt I Werner (WG) 6-4, 2-6, 6-4; C Steyn (SA) bt J Goes (Braz) 6-3, 6-2; R Green (US) bt P Moraing (WG) 6-3, 3-6, 6-3; M Oosting (Neth) bt K Evernden (NZ) 4-6, 6-4, 6-1; A Mansdorf (Isr) bt L Scott (US) 6-3, 4-6, 6-4; B Levine (US) bt B Cox (US) 6-4, 6-7, 6-0; A Sznajder (Can) bt A Naor (Isr) 6-1, 6-4; P Lundgren (Swe) bt J Becka (WG) 6-4, 6-2; J Windahl (Swe) bt C Secearu (WG) 6-7, 6-4, 6-4; S Glickstein (Isr) bt N Aerts (Braz) 7-5, 3-6, 6-1; A Krickstein (US) bt B Mor (SA) 6-2, 6-1; B Gilbert (US) bt T Hogstedt (Swe) 7-5, 7-6. Second round: C Steyn (SA) bt R Green (US) 3-6, 6-1, 6-2; M Westphal (WG) bt M Oosting (Neth) 6-3, 6-4; A Sznajder (Can) bt P Lundgren (Swe) 4-6, 6-4, 6-3.

SEOUL: Davis Cup: Eastern zone final: Singles (Koreans first): Yoo Jin-sun bt Shozo Shiraishi 4-6, 6-4, 6-4; Song Dong-wook lost to Tsuyoshi Fukui 6-3, 6-3. S. Korea won 4-1.

BASEBALL

NEW YORK: American League: Championship play-off series: California Angels 8, Boston Red Sox 1 (California lead best-of-seven series 1-0).

BASKETBALL

EUROPEAN CUP WINNERS' CUP: Men: First round, second leg: Panathinaikos (Gr) 74, Steiner-Optik Bayreuth (WG) 67 (Bayreuth won 151-145 on agg). Racing Mechelen (Bel) 104, Kingston 90 (Mechelen won 195-189 on agg); AS Villeurbanne (Fr) 118, Soleuvre (Lux) 61 (Villeurbanne won 233-139 on agg); Champel-Geneva (Switz) 72, Efes Pilsen Istanbul (Turkey) 88 (Efes Pilsen won 179-148 on agg); Balkan Botevgrad (Bul) 90, Sparkasse Innsbruck (Austria) 71 (Balkan win 168-133 on agg); NHKG Ostrava (Cz) 105, Apoel Nicosia (Cyprus) 38.
Ronchetti Cup first round, first leg: Trogylos Priolo (It) 142, Maccabi Ramat-Chen (Is) 50 (74-28).
BRITISH MASTERS: Regional round: Brunel and Crystal Palace 108, Hemel and Watford Royals 90; Homespare Bolton and Bury 95, Oldham Celtics 83.

BOXING

OLDHAM: Heavyweight bout: H Currie bt G McCrory, 2nd rnd k.o.

CYCLING

PISA: Sabatini Cup: 140-mile road race (Italian unless stated): 1, J Francois Bernard (Fr) 5hr 22min 41sec; 2, J Kum (Nor);

RUGBY UNION

TOUR MATCH: Combined English Students 43, Japan 4.
CLUB MATCHES: Aberavon 25, Penarth 9; Headingley 19, Morley 0; Newport 17, Barbarians 50; Tredegar 0, Pontypridd 14; Cambridge U 3, St Mary's Hospital 28.
Harlequins 35, Loughborough Colls 9

SNOOKER

TENNENTS UK CHAMPIONSHIP: First round: At Leicester: J Bear (Can) bt C Everton (Wal), 9-1; D Sheehan (Ire) bt M Bennett (Wal), 9-8; C Roscoe (Wal) bt M Parion (Eng), 9-1. At Newton le Willows: P Watchorn (Ire) bt b Kelly (N Ire), 9-6; S James (Eng) bt G Rigitano (Can), 9-5. At Worcester: J Dunning (Eng) bt A Kearney (Ire), 9-8. At Bootle: M Watterson (Eng) bt P Burke (Ire), 9-0. At Bury: G Wilkinson (Aus) bt F Jonik (Can), 9-8; R Grace (SA) bt P Houlihan (Eng), 9-6. At Manchester: M Fisher (Eng) bt D Greaves (Eng), 9-4; B Oliver (Eng) bt D Chalmers (Eng), 9-8; M Darrington (Eng) bt T Whitthread (England), 9-8.

FOOTBALL

WEST GERMAN LEAGUE: First round cup replay: Allemania Aachen 0, Werder Bremen 0 (Allemania win 7-6 on penalties).
FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Millwall 2, Fulham 1

GOLF

GOLF FOUNDATION TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP: At Leicestershire GC: 1, Guthlaxton Coll, Wigston, 242; 2, Toot Hill Comprehensive, Bingham, 242. Guthlaxton won on countback. Both teams qualify for English final. Best individual score: J Anderson (Robert Smythe school, Market Harborough) 72.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

FOOTBALL

CENTRAL LEAGUE: Second division: West Bromwich Albion v York (7.0).

OTHER SPORT

BOXING: George Collins (GB) v R Mitchem (US) (at Fairfield Halls, Croydon).
EQUESTRIANISM: Horse of the Year Show (at Wembley Arena).
GOLF: Women's British Open (at Royal Birkdale): Ryder Cup v Walker Cup veterans (at Royal Cinque Ports).
HOCKEY: World Cup (at Willesden).
SNOOKER: Tennents UK Open, preliminary rounds (at selected Coral Clubs in Bury, Manchester, Newton-le-Willows, Merseyside, Worcester; Leicester; Sefton, Merseyside).
TENNIS: Refuge Association National Championship finals (at Telford Racquet and Fitness Centre).

Star attraction

Tennis stars past and present are to play a series of exhibition matches in Bologna next month in aid of the Italian player, GianLuca Rinaldi, who was paralysed in a car accident. Taking part will be John McEnroe, Bjorn Borg, Ivan Lendl, Yannick Noah, Vitas Gerulaitis, Guillermo Vilas, Adriano Panatta and Ilie Nastase.

ENTERTAINMENTS

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CINEMAS

LEICESTER SQUARE THEATRE 930 5252 (Enq)/930 7615 (24 hr Access/ Visa/ AmEx Bookings) "FX" MURDER BY ILLUSION (15) Sep progs 12.45 3.25 6.05 8.45. All progs bookable in advance

MINEMA 45 KNIGHTSBRIDGE 235 4225 HANNAH AND HER SISTERS (15) Dailys 3.0 5.0 7.0 9.0. Late Shows Fri & Sat 11.15 PM

ODEON HAYMARKET (839 7697) MONA LISA (18) Sep progs Daily 2.15 6.00 8.40. All seats bookable in advance Access and Visa telephone bookings welcome

ODEON LEICESTER SQUARE (930 6111) Info 930 4250 / 4259 ALIENS (18) Sep progs doors open Daily 1.00 4.15 7.35. All progs bookable in advance Credit Card Hot Line (Access/Visa/ AmEx) 930 3232/ 839 1929. 24 hour service. £2.50 seats available Monday all perfs

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1 THE DECLINE OF THE AMERICAN EMPIRE (18). Film at 2.15 4.20 6.30 8.45
2 Mike Newell's THE GOOD FATHER (15) Film at 2.30 4.35 6.45 9.00 SEATS BOOKABLE LAST EVE PERF

Today's television and radio programmes

Edited by Peter Dear and Peter Davalle

BBC 1

6.00 **Ceefax AM.** News headlines, weather, travel and sports bulletins.
6.50 **Breakfast Time** with Debbie Greenwood and Guy Michelmore in London and Jeremy Paxman at the Conservative Party Conference in Bournemouth. Weather at 6.55, 7.25, 7.55 and 8.25; regional news, weather and traffic at 6.57, 7.27, 7.57 and 8.27; national and international news at 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 7.20 and 8.20; and a review of the morning newspapers at 8.37. Other items include *Dr Richard Smith's* 'phone-in medical advice.
9.05 **Conservative Party Conference 1986.** The debates on food and farming, and unemployment.
10.30 **Play School** presented by Ben Thomas, with guest Janet Palmer.
10.50 **Conservative Party Conference 1986.** The debate on economic policy and taxation. 12.30 approximately **Ceefax**
1.00 **News After Noon** with Moira Stuart and Laurie Mayer, includes news headlines with subtitles. 1.25 Regional news. The weather details come from Michael Fish **1.30 Mop and Smiff.** (r) **1.45 Ceefax.**
2.20 **Conservative Party Conference 1986.** The debate on rates and rating **3.52** Regional news.
3.55 **Scragtag and His Tea-Time Telly.** For the very young **4.10 Sebastian and the Incredible Drawing Dog.** Michael Barrymore and the story of *The Cloud Catcher.* **4.15 Beat the Teacher.** Paul Jones with another round of the pupils versus teachers quiz game **4.30 Dungeons and Dragons.** (r)
4.55 **John Craven's Newsround 5.05 Blue Peter.** The studio is invaded by nine Red Indians from the Cree and Ojibwaya tribes who perform their exciting hoop dance. (Ceefax)
5.35 **The Horse of the Year Show** from Wembley Arena. The Junior Show Jumper of the Year, introduced by David Vine.
6.00 **News** with Nicholas Witchell and Andrew Harvey. Weather.
6.35 **London Plus.**
7.00 **Top of the Pops** introduced by Gary Davies and Simon Mayo.
7.30 **EastEnders.** Den and Angie are worried about their daughter, Sharon's, future, and the onus is on Den to make a decision.
8.00 **Tomorrow's World.** There are items on the television of the future; a voice recognition car telephone; Peter Macann drives a no-hands lawn mower; Judith Hann examines a method to make identity cards and passports forgery-proof; Maggie Philbin is in Nuneaton to see a rubbish tip that produces methane; there is news of an ultra-strong bicycle; and of a corporation that should never break down.
8.30 **Lenny Henry Tonite** in the dual role of a match-making Jupiter and dreary bachelor Fielding Birchall. (Ceefax)
9.00 **News** with John Humphrys and Frances Coverdale. Regional news and weather.
9.30 **In Sickness and in Health.** In this last of the series, Alf finds himself doted upon by three women. Starring Warren Mitchell, Irene Handl, Patricia Hayes, and Carmel McSharry.
10.00 *Conference Question* Time from the Playhouse Theatre, Bournemouth. Sir Robin Day's guests are Paddy Ashdown, Denis Healey, Nigel Lawson, and James Prior.
11.00 **The Horse of the Year** Show from Wembley Arena featuring the Next and Next Puissance.
12.10 **Weather.**

TV-AM

6.15 **Good Morning Britain** presented by Anne Diamond and Mike Morris. News with Kay Burley at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; financial news at 6.35; sport at 6.40 and 7.40; exercises at 6.55; Joan Collins interview at 7.15, 8.15 and 8.45; cartoon at 7.25; pop music at 7.55; and Jeni Barnett's postbag at 8.35. The After Nine guests include Claire Rayner who answers viewers' letters on the problems of single parenthood.

ITV/LONDON

9.25 **Thames news** headlines.
9.30 **For Schools:** the work of the police **9.42** Fairy Story, by Tony Rose **9.54** Harvesting in gardens and fields **10.11** Children from a West of Ireland village make music in more ways than one **10.28.** The resources of the brain **10.45** Two-dimensional drawing **11.03** Part two of the drama serial, The Night Swimmers **11.20** *Poetry and prose about playtime* **11.37** How We Used to Live: vote for change.
12.00 **Thomas the Tank Engine and Friends.** (r) **12.10 Puddle Lane.** Puppet show with Neil Innes and Richard Robinson. (r) **12.30 The Sullivans.**
1.00 **News at One** with John Suchet **1.20 Thames news.**
1.30 **Levkas Man.** Drama serial about a son looking for his missing archaeologist father in Greece. (r) **2.25 Home Cookery Club.** Apple Toasty.
2.30 **Daytime.** Sarah Kennedy chairs a studio discussion on a topical matter **3.00 Take the High Road.** More dramas among the gentlefolk of Glendarroch **3.25 Thames news** headlines **3.30 Sons and Daughters.**
4.00 **Flicks.** Christopher Lillicrap with the tale of Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel **4.10 The Trap Door.** Cartoon adventures **4.20 Animals in Action.** Vicky Licorish and Mike Linley investigate Nature's Dustmen **4.45 Chocky's Challenge.** Adventures of a visitor from another planet who reveals herself only to people she can trust.
5.15 **Blockbusters.**
5.45 **News** with John Suchet **6.00 Thames news.**
6.25 **Help!** Viv Taylor Gee investigates the shortage of ambulance drivers.
6.35 **Crossroads.**
7.00 **Emmerdale Farm.** Phil has a heart-to-heart with Sandie.
7.30 **Fresh Fields.** Emma's in-laws are invited dinner and arrive with suitcases. William lays plans to escape. (Oracle)
8.00 **Film: The Runaway Train** (1973) starring Ben Johnson. A made-for-television thriller about a train with frozen brakes carrying skiers returning home from their holiday. Directed by David Lowell Rich.
9.30 **This Week: Nurses – Condition Critical.** A report by Michael Wilson on the critical state of the nursing profession. Hospitals are unable to recruit because of financial cut-backs, and qualified staff are being tempted abroad in droves.
10.00 **News at Ten** with Alastair Burnet and Carol Barnes. Weather followed by Thames news headlines.
10.30 **Thames Sport Special.** Some of Britain's brightest professionals are on tonight's bill at Fairfields Hall, Croydon. They include George Collins, Mo Hussein, Tommy Shiels, and Sean Murphy.
11.45 **Kojak.** The New York detective has problems with mental patient who cannot with the reality of a murder she witnessed.
12.40 **Night Thoughts.**

Christina Rigner in Annika, on Channel 4, 9.30pm

CHOICE

● Two BBC2 documentaries tonight demonstrate a favourite device of the realistic film-maker. They show how artfully a single shot, reinforced with music, can make a point more poignantly or ironically than a dozen lines of commentary. Take one of the closing moments of TEN DAYS IN HOLLOWAY (9.30pm), Harry Weisbloom's *Forty Minutes* film about the women's prison. The camera points down the cell-lined corridor, and we have just eavesdropped on a violent incident. From one of the cells, we hear a ragged chorus. The song, barely heard above the general clatter and eternal protests, is *Show Me the Way to Go Home....* The other *capsulized moment comes in* B & B – THE REAL SCANDAL (7.40pm), this week's *Open Space* documentary. In the hotel room that represents the entire living space of a mother of three, the baby stands up in his cot, watching a musical *Disneyland* programme on the television set. The song is *When You Wish Upon a Star.* In it, you will recall, there is a line of lyric that says something like ... everything your heart desires will come to you.

Actually, by drawing attention to these two telling shots, I have probably given you entirely the wrong impression of the thrust of the films themselves. They are not in the least soft-centred. They are hard-hitting and campaigning. *Ten Days in Holloway* not only exposes a system of over-crowding that makes security a nightmare, but says that keeping remanded women in such conditions is nothing more or less than premature sentencing. The villain of the piece in *B & B – The Real Scandal* is clearly identified as a Government that prefers to pay out vast sums of money to give the homeless inadequate temporary accommodation rather than embark on a housing scheme that will put a permanent roof over their heads and give them a fair share of the world's supply of breathing space

● Radio choice: **Bookshelf** (Radio 4, 4.05pm), which returns with a new presenter, Susan Hill, and **The Radio Programme** (Radio 4, 9.30am, repeated on Sunday) which, on paper, sounds as if Laurie Taylor and Co are trying hard to break new ground. If I'm right, then good luck to them

Peter Davalle

BBC 2

9.00 **Ceefax.**
9.35 **Daytime on Two:** part three of a five-episode adventure in French **9.52** Economics: why introduce new technology? **10.15** The nature of paper and how it is made **10.38** Why steam took so long to succeed sail **11.00** Thinkabout **11.18** a student's view of an undergraduate's life **11.40** Should boxing be banned?
12.12 Making different types of documentary film **12.45** Science: genes **1.05** French language course for beginners. (end at 1.30) **1.38** How farming methods improved after the Enclosure Acts of the 18th and 19th centuries **2.00** Trees and making a tree book using leaf patterns **2.15** Sounds made by hunting horns.
2.35 **Ceefax.**
3.50 **Conservative Party Conference 1986.** The debate on overseas affairs.
5.30 **News summary** with subtitles. Weather.
5.35 **Harold Lloyd*** Excerpts from the comedian's Number Please, made in 1920, and Off the Trolley, a 1919 production. (r)
6.00 **Star Trek.** Captain Kirk and his crew are caught in deadly crossfire when two aliens choose the Enterprise as a battle-field to settle bitter differences 50,000 years old. (r)
6.45 **River Journeys.** Australian Russell Braddon travels his native country's Murray River from its source to the sea. (r) (Ceefax)
7.40 **Open Space: B and B - The Real Scandal.** Directors of Housing, representing 16 of some of the most deprived inner-city areas express their concern about the homelessness which, they reckon, results in some four and a half thousand families having to live in bed and breakfast accommodation at a cost of £240 million a year. (see Choice)
8.10 **Timewatch.** Peter France introduces three films exploring the background to the auctions of a VC won at Rorke's Drift, a medieval illuminated manuscript, and the motivation behind some of the people who bid for the items.
9.00 **Alas Smith and Jones.** Comedy sketches and repartee from Mel and Griff with assistance from, among others, Anna Dawson and Barbara Ewing. (Ceefax)
9.30 **40 Minutes: Ten Days in Holloway.** This first of a new season of documentaries is the first full-length one to be filmed inside Britain's biggest women's prison. (Ceefax) (see Choice)
10.15 **Film Buff of the Year.** The third round of the competition presented by Robin Ray. The specialist subjects are Shirley MacLaine; Martin Scorsese; Leslie Howard; and German films of the 1920s.
10.50 **Newsnight.** 11.45 **Weather.**

CHANNEL 4

2.35 **Film: The Punch and Judy Man*** (1962) starring Tony Hancock, Sylvia Sims and Ronald Fraser. The tale of a down-to-earth beach entertainer, unhappily married to a social-climbing wife, who has a chance to prick the seaside town's bubble of snobbery when he is asked to perform at an important gala of which the mayor is the guest of honour. Directed by Jeremy Summers.
4.25 **The Dippy Diplomat.** A Woody Woodpecker cartoon.
4.30 **Studio 80.** Musical entertainment with special guest, Dionne Warwick, and an item on the music associated with Fred Astaire.
5.00 **Film: True Confessions*** (1937) starring Carol Lombard and Fred MacMurray. Comedy about a woman who is an inveterate liar who is defended by her upright husband when she is accused of a murder to which she confessed but did not commit. Directed by Wesley Ruggles.
6.30 **Conference Report.** Glyn Mathias presents highlights of the day's proceedings at the Conservative Party Conference in Bournemouth.
7.00 **Channel 4 News** with Peter Sissons and Alastair Stewart includes a report on how the opposition parties in Germany are preparing for the forthcoming elections.
7.50 **Comment** from Bramwell Cook, a retired director of music. **Weather.**
8.00 **Equinox: Growing Up With Rockets.** An account by American film-maker Nancy Yasecko about what it was like to grow up in the Cape Canaveral area when it became the centre for United States space rocket development.
9.00 **Oh Madeline.** American domestic comedy series starring Madeline Kahn.
9.30 **Annika.** Part one of a three-episode teenage love story spanning a cultural divide, about a young Swedish student and an 18 year old waiter she meets on the Isle of Wight. Starring Christina Rigner and Jesse Birdsall. (r) (Oracle)
10.30 **Well Being Special: The Price of Tranquility?** An examination of the issues surrounding tranquillizers. (r)
11.15 **Beyond Belief.** The disquiet in the St Paul's district of Bristol - what are the churches doing to allay fears? Anthony Clare investigates. With Fr Peter Barnett, the Rev Richard Barrett, and members of the St Paul's Community Association.
11.40 **Relative Strangers.** Comedy series about a happy-go-lucky man whose life is drastically altered when the son he never knew he had turns up on his doorstep. Starring Matthew Kelly, Mark Farmer, and Bernard Gallagher. (r) Ends at 12.10.

Radio 4

On long wave. (s) Stereo on VHF
5.55 Shipping. 6.00 News Briefing; Weather. 6.10 Farming. 6.25 Prayer.
6.30 Today, incl 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News. 6.45 Business News. 6.55, 7.55 Weather. 7.00, 8.00 News. 7.25, 8.25 Sport. 7.45 Thought for the Day. 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament. 8.57 Weather; Travel
9.00 News
9.05 In Business (new series) (r)
9.30 The Radio Programme (new series) Reviews of and reports about radio programmes, presented by Laurie Taylor. Contributors include Billie Whitelaw, Brian Hayes, Richard Baker and Denise Robertson.
10.00 News; What's New in Architecture. With Stephen Games (r)
10.30 Morning Story: Nothing on the Clock But the Maker's Name, by Ted Edwards. Reader: Richard Derrington.
10.45 An Act of Worship (s)
11.00 News; Travel; Analysis: A Giant Leap for Europe. David Wheeler examines the issues that will dominate European space policy for the next two decades (r)
11.48 Tales From Long Ago. Howie Firth recounts the story of the Horseman and the Ship.
12.00 News; You and Yours. Consumer advice
12.27 Round Britain Quiz (r) 12.55 Weather
1.00 The World at One: News
1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping
2.00 News; Woman's Hour. Includes a feature about an information service for newcomers to Britain.
3.00 News; The Afternoon Play. The Baby Alarm, by Peter Thomson. Cast includes Karen Archer, Bill Nighy and Vickey Ireland. The theme: bringing up baby. (r)(s)
4.00 News
4.05 Bookshelf (new series) with Susan Hill and Kingsley Amis.
4.35 Kaleidoscope. Last night's edition. Includes comment on John Updike's book Roger's Version, and Innocence at the Gate Theatre in Dublin (r)
5.00 PM. News magazine. 5.50 Shipping 5.55 Weather
6.00 News; Financial Report
6.30 Legal, Decent, Honest and Truthful. Martin Jarvis and Christopher Godwin in the comedy series set in an advertising agency (r)
7.00 News
7.05 The Archers
7.20 Any Answers? Listeners respond to last week's Any Questions?
7.40 The Immortal Bohemian. Variations on the life and music of Giacomo Puccini (2). With Norman Rodway as the composer, and Jill Balcon as his wife Elvira.
8.40 Profile
9.00 Does He Take Sugar? For disabled listeners and their families.
9.30 Ian Skidmore in the BBC Sound Archives.
9.45 Kaleidoscope. Includes comment on The Phantom of the Opera at Her Majesty's, and the Britten/Tippett festival in London.
10.15 A Book at Bedtime: Hangover Square (4). Read by Nick Dunning.
10.30 The World Tonight
11.15 The Financial World Tonight
11.30 Today in Parliament
11.45 Music at Night. Ian Partridge sings songs by Gurney and Vaughan Williams (s)
12.00 News; Weather. 12.33 Shipping.
VHF (available in England and S Wales only) as above except: 5.55-6.00am Weather; Travel. 9.05-10.45 For Schools. 11.00-12.00 For Schools. 1.55-3.00pm For Schools. 5.50-5.55 PM (continued). 12.30-1.10am Schools Night-time Broadcasting: Deutsch fur die Oberstufe.

Radio 3

6.55 Weather. 7.00 News
7.05 Concert: Lortzing (Der Wildschutz overture), Schumann (Three romances, Op 94: Holliger/Brendel), Paganini (Bravura Variations on theme from Rossini's Mose in Egitto, with Accardo, violin), Weber (Symphony No 2). 8.00 News
8.05 Concert (contd): Puccini (Capriccio sinfonico), Stravinsky (Concerto in E flat for chamber orchestra, Dumbarton Oaks), Sibelius (Symphony No 7). 9.00 News
9.05 This Week's Composer: Franz Schmidt. Recordings of the Symphony No 4 in C (played by Vienna SO under Swarowsky) and the opening of Act 3 of Fredigundis, with Austrian Radio SO and soloists including Helga Dernesch and Martin Egel.
10.10 Fuego lento: Ravel (Rapsodie espagnole: Amsterdam Concertgebouw), and Ginastera Harp Concerto (with Nicanor Zabaleta, soloist)
10.55 Six Continents: Angus McDermid with foreign radio broadcasts, monitored by the BBC (r)
11.15 Piano music: Martin Jones plays Reizenstein's Scherzo in A, Hoddinott's Sonata No 7, and Ireland's Rhapsody
11.45 BBC Scottish SO (under Matthias Bamert), with Ernst Kovacic (violin). Mozart (Symphony No 29), Beethoven (Violin Concerto in D). 1.00 News
1.05 Bristol Lunchtime Concert: London Harpsichord Ensemble. Telemann (Quartet in G, Tafelmusik 1), Handel (Trio Sonata in F, Op 2 No 4), J C Bach (Quintet in D, Op 22 No 1)
2.00 Il Barbiere di Siviglia. Paisiello's opera, sung in Italian. Cast includes Istvan Gati as Figaro, Denes Gulyas (Almaviva), Krisztina Laki (Rosina) and Jozsef Gregor (Don Bartolo). Hungarian State Orchestra (under Fischer). Acts one and two. Acts 3 and 4 after interval reading at 3.10
4.20 Brahms. Allegri String Quartet play the Quintet in G major, Op 111, with Patrick Ireland, viola. 4.55 News
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure: recorded music selection, presented by Geoffrey Norris
6.30 Bandstand: British Aerospace Wingates Band (under James Scott). Ball (Prelude to Pageantry), Howarth (Mosaic). Elgar (Severn Suite)
7.00 A Civilising Influence: the violinist Alexander Schneider talks to Paul Robertson
7.30 Swansea Festival: Coull String Quartet. Part one. Mozart (String Quartet in D minor, K 421), Mervyn Burtsch (String Quartet in memoriam David Wynne)
8.20 An Urn among the Chamber Pots: talk by Peter Pulzer, Gladstone Professor of Government, at Oxford.
8.40 Swansea Festival (part two). Schubert (String Quartet in A minor, D 804)
9.20 Protest: play by Vaclav Havel, translated and adapted by Vera Blackwell. With Robin Bailey and John Normington. Drama about a dissident Czech playwright and an establishment writer
10.00 Music in Our Time: music by Helmut Lachenmann. A Children's Game (Gunilde Kramer, piano), temA (Hanbna Aurbacher, mezzo; Gerhard Braun, flute; Werner Taube cello) and Salut to Caudwell (with guitarists Wilhelm Bruck and Theodor Ross, guitars)
11.05 First Night: John Bowen passes judgment on the Bristol Old Vic production of Largo Desolato
11.15 Langham Chamber Orchestra (under Hurwitz). Boyce (Overture No 6 in D minor), Mozart (Six Lancier Dances, K 606), and Haydn (Symphony No 7). 11.57 News. 12.00 Closedown

Radio 2

MF (medium wave). Stereo on VHF
News on the hour. Sports Desks 1.05pm, 2.02, 3.02, 4.02, 5.05, 6.02, 6.45 (mf only). 9.55 plus Horse of the Year Show at 11.02pm
4.00am Charles Nove 5.30 Ray Moore 7.30 Derek Jameson 9.30 Ken Bruce 11.00 Jimmy Young (incl food information) 1.05pm David Jacobs 2.00 Gloria Hunniford 3.30 David Hamilton 5.05 John Dunn with his special guest Princess Michael of Kent 7.00 Wally Whyton introduces Country Club 9.00 Rhythm and Blues with Paul Jones 9.55 Sports Desk 10.00 The Good Human Guide. With the National Revue Company 10.30 Star Sound Cinema. Movie magazine, presented by Nick Jackson 11.00 Brian Matthew presents Round Midnight 1.00am Richard Clegg 3.00-4.00 A Little Night Music.

Radio 1

MF (medium wave). Stereo on VHF (see below)
News on the half-hour from 6.30am until 8.30pm then at 10.00 and 12.00 midnight.
5.30am Adrian John 7.00 Mike Smith's Breakfast Show 9.30 Simon Bates 12.30 Newsbeat (Steve Annett) 12.45 Gary Davies 3.00 Steve Wright 5.30 Newsbeat (Steve Annett) 5.45 Bruno Brookes 7.30 Janice Long 9.00 City to City. Mark Page is driven around Glasgow by Midge Ure 10.00-12.00 Andy Kershaw. VHF Radios 1 and 2: - 4.00am As Radio 2. 10.00pm As Radio 1. 12.00-4.00am As Radio 2.

WORLD SERVICE

6.00 Newsdesk 6.30 6.40 The Farming World 7.00 News 7.09 Twenty-Four Hours 7.30 Folk in the Modern World 7.45 Network UK 8.00 News 8.09 Reflections 8.15 Country Style 8.30 John Peel 9.00 News 9.09 Review of the British Press 9.15 The World Today 9.30 Financial News 9.40 Look Ahead 9.45 Growing Points in Science 10.00 News 10.01 The Savoy Operas 10.30 Jarvis's Frayn 11.00 News 11.09 About Britain 11.15 New Ideas 11.25 A Letter from England 12.00 Radio Newsreel 12.15 Top Twenty 12.45 Sports Roundup 1.00 News 1.09 Twenty-four Hours 1.30 Network UK 1.45 Lyrics and Lyricists 2.00 Outlook 2.45 Juke Box Dury 3.00 Radio Newsreel 3.15 The Pleasure's Yours 4.00 News 4.09 Commentary 4.15 Assignment 4.45 World Today 5.00 News 5.09 Letter from England 8.00 News 8.09 Twenty-Four Hours 8.30 Business Matters 9.00 News 9.01 Book Choice 9.05 In the Meantime 9.15 A Jolly Good Show 10.00 News 10.09 The World Today 10.25 A Letter From England 10.30 Financial News 10.40 Reflections 10.45 Sports Roundup 11.00 News 11.09 Commentary 11.15 Merchant Navy Programme 11.30 Nature Notebook 11.40 The Farming World 12.00 News 12.09 News About Britain 12.15 Radio Newsreel 12.30 Music Now 1.00 News 1.01 Outlook 1.30 Lyrics and Lyricists 1.45 Book Choice 1.50 In The Meantime 2.00 News 2.09 Review of the British Press 2.15 Training for Tomorrow 2.30 Aberdeen International Youth Festival 3.00 News 3.09 News About Britain 3.15 The World Today 3.30 Business Matters 4.00 Newsdesk 4.330 Country Style. All times in GMT.

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REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

BBC1 WALES: 5.35pm-6.00 Wales Today 6.35-7.00 On the Trail 12.10am-12.15 News and weather. SCOTLAND: 6.35pm-7.00 Reporting Scotland. NORTHERN IRELAND: 5.35pm-5.40 Today's Sport 5.40-6.00 Inside Ulster 6.35-7.00 Ye Tell Me That 8.30-9.00 Spotlight 12.10am-12.15 News and weather. ENGLAND: 6.35pm-7.00 Regional news magazines **BBC2** WALES: 11.00am-11.18 Gwaid a Sarad 1.38pm-2.00 Outlook: Farming Through the Ages.

CHANNEL As London except: 1.20pm News 1.30 Home Cookery 1.35-2.30 Jessie 3.30-4.00 Country GP 6.00 Channel Report 10.30 Prisoner: Cell Block H 11.30 Full Life 12.00 Untouchables 1.00am Closedown.

ANGLIA As London except: 1.20pm News 1.30-2.30 The Baron 6.00-6.35 About Anglia 7.00-7.30 Me and My Girl 10.30 Secret Worlds 11.00 Darts 12.00 Mona Lisa: The Picture 12.30am The Church in the Classroom, Closedown.

S4C Starts: 11.10am Hyn O Fyd 11.30 Caff a Chreift 11.45 Interval 2.00pm Film: Scrooge 1.30 Alice 2.00 Puppet Show 2.35 Film: Variety Girl 4.05 Ffalabalam 4.15 Athro Amser 4.20 Straeon Y Byd 4.45 Abbott and Costello 5.15 World of Animation 5.30 Studio 80 6.00 Brookside 6.30 4 What It's Worth 7.00 Newyddion Saith 7.30 Pentymoro 8.05 Ar Y Ffordd 8.40 Dinas 9.10 Hill Street Blues 10.05 Deliberate Death of a Polish Priest 12.00 Conservative Report 12.30am Closedown.

GRANADA As London except: 1.20pm Granada Reports 1.30-2.30 A Country Practice 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors 6.00 Granada Reports 6.30-6.35 This is Your Right 10.30 Minder 11.30 All Kinds of Country 12.00 Who's the Boss 12.25am Closedown.

CENTRAL As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Contact 1.20 News 1.30-2.30 The Baron 6.00 Crossroads 6.25-7.00 News 10.35 Carrying the Torch 11.35 Vincent Price's Dracula 12.35am Jobfinder 1.35 Closedown.

SCOTTISH As London except: 1.20pm News 1.30-2.30 Tucker's Witch 3.00-4.00 The Baron 6.00-7.30 Take the High Road. 8.00 Scottish Report 8.30-9.00 Magnum 10.30 Crime Desk 10.35 Jessie 11.30 Crann Tara 12.00 Late Call 12.05am Tales from the Darkside 12.35 Sorley Maclean at 75 12.40 Closedown.

HTV WEST As London except: 1.20pm News 1.30-2.30 Country Practice 6.00-6.35 News 10.30 Weekend Outlook 10.35 West This Week 11.00 Levkas Man 12.00 That's Hollywood 12.30am Closedown.

HTV WALES As HTV West except: 9.30am-11.00 Schools 11.03-11.18 Looking Forward 6.00pm-6.35 Wales at Six 10.30-11.00 Wales This Week.

BORDER As London except: 1.20pm News 1.30-2.30 Randall & Hopkirk (Deceased) 3.00 Parlour Game 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors 6.00-6.35 Lookaround 10.30 Border Pool Classic 11.15 Mike Hammer 12.10am Closedown.

TYNE TEES As London except: 1.20pm News 1.30-2.30 Randall and Hopkirk (Deceased) 6.00-6.35 Northern Life 10.32 The Works 11.00 Sweeney 12.00 William Tyndale. Closedown.

TSW As London except: 1.20pm News 1.30-2.30 Tucker's Witch 5.15-5.45 Connections 6.00 Today South West 6.30 Action South West 6.35-7.30 Carson's Law 10.32 Sweeney 11.30 Music Special 12.30am Postscript, Closedown.

GRAMPIAN As London except: 1.20pm News 1.30-2.30 Man in a Suitcase 6.00-6.35 North Tonight 7.00-7.30 Who's The Boss 10.30 Minder 11.30 Crann Tara 12.00 About Gaelic 12.30am News 12.35 Sorley Maclean at 75 12.45 Closedown.

YORKSHIRE As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Lunchtime Live 1.20 News 1.30-2.30 Yellow Rose 6.00 Calendar 10.30 TJ Hooker 11.30 New Avengers 12.30am-6.00 Music Box.

TVS As London except: 1.20pm News 1.30 Action 1.35-2.30 Jessie 3.30-4.00 Country GP 6.00-6.35 Coast to Coast 10.30 Prisoner: Cell Block H 11.30 A Full Life 12.00 Untouchables 1.00am Company, Closedown.

ULSTER As London except: 1.20pm Lunchtime 1.30-2.30 Fifty Fifty 3.30-4.00 Diff'rent Strokes 6.00 Good Evening Ulster 6.25-6.35 Police Six 10.30 Counterpoint 11.15 Cork Rally 11.45 News, Closedown.

ENTERTAINMENTS

CONCERTS

BARBICAN HALL 628 8795/638 8891 Ton't 7 35 London Symphony Orchestra. Nicholas Cleobury cond. Philip Fowke piano

EVENTS

HORSE OF THE YEAR SHOW Wembley Arena 902 1234 Eves 7.00pm Oct 6-11 Afts 1.30pm Oct 7-11 This available all perfs except Tues eve & Sat eve.

EXHIBITIONS

GOLDSMITHS' FAIR. SILVER & JEWELLERY BY SELECTED DESIGNERS FOR SALE. 6-11 October 1986. Mon-Fri 11-7 Sat 11-5. Goldsmiths' Hall, Foster Lane, London EC2. Admission Free. Tube St Paul's.

OPERA & BALLET

COLISEUM S 836 3161 CC 240 5258 ENGLISH NATIONAL OPERA Ton't 7.30 The Mikado. Tomor 7.00 Aida.

ROYAL OPERA HOUSE 01-240 1066/ 1911 Stdby info 836 6903 S CC. Tickets £1-£22.50. 65 Amphi seats avail on the day THE ROYAL BALLET Ton't. Tomor 7.30 La Valse/Galanteries/Opus 19 The Dreamer/The Concert Ballet casting info: 01 240 9815.

SADLER'S WELLS 278 8916. First Call CC 24 Hr. 7 Day 240 7200 (bkg fee). Until Oct 18. Eves 7.30, Sat Mats 2.30 CENTRAL BALLET OF CHINA Ton't Red Detachment of Women (Act.1) The Arabian Dance from the Nutcracker/Variations for Four/Maid of the Sea. BALLET GULBENKIAN from Portugal 21-25 Oct. 01-278 0855 for Winter Dance info

THEATRES

ADELPHI 836 7611 or 240 7913 /4 CC 741 9999/836 7358/379 6433 Grp Sales 930 6123 First Call 24hr 7 day CC 240 7200 (bkg fee) NOW BOOKING TO FEB 1987 ME AND MY GIRL THE LAMBETH WALK MUSICAL Nightly at 7.30 Mats Wed at 2.30 & Sat 4.30 & 8.00 "THE HAPPIEST SHOW IN TOWN" S Express Theatre Air Conditioned

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APOLLO THEATRE 437 2663 434 3598 First Call 01-240 7200 Ticketmaster cc 379 6433 Mon-Fri 8.00 Sat 4.30 & 8.15. Thurs mats 3.00 PAUL SCOFIELD "MASTERLY" F.T. HOWARD ROLLINS "MAGNIFICENT" D.Mail I'M NOT RAPPAPORT "Wonderfully funny" D.Exp TONY AWARD BEST PLAY £3 balcony seats avail Today NOW BOOKING NOV TO JAN

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BARBICAN 01 628 8795/638 8891 cc (Mon-Sun 10am-8pm) ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY BARBICAN THEATRE red. price perfs today 2.00 & 7.30, Fri 7.30, Sat 2.00 & 7.30 MIS-ALLIANCE by Shaw, red. price perfs 16-24 Oct SCENES FROM A MARRIAGE by Feydeau THE PIT ton't 7.30pm PHILISTINES. BRITISH MOVIE SCRIPTORIUM - British Premiere by Richard Nelson 10-18 Oct Final Perfs THE DEAD MONKEY by Nick Darke

BLOOMSBURY Gordon St, WCI. 387 9629 cc 380 1453. Fr Oct 13: FOOTLIGHTS in ANOTHER FINE MESS

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COTTESLOE 'S' 928 2252 CC (National Theatre's small auditorium) Ton't, Tomor 7.30, Sat 2.30 & 7.30 THE BAY AT NICE and WRECKED EGGS by David Hare. Mon, Tue, Wed 7.30 THE AMERICAN CLOCK. Ton't 6pm A Door Should Be. 45 min platform perf all tkts £2.00

CRITERION S 930 3216 CC 379 6565/379 6433/741 9999 Grps 836 3962. Eves 8.00. Thu mat 2.30. Sat 5.30 & 8.30 "BRITISH FARCE AT ITS BEST" D Mail The Theatre of Comedy Company DEREK NIMMO ROYCE MILLS FOWLDS ALFRED MARKS ANITA GRAHAM JACKI PIPER SAM COX RUN FOR YOUR WIFE! Written and directed by RAY COONEY Over 1,800 side-splitting perfs "SHOULD RUN FOR LIFE" S. Ex

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DRURY LANE THEATRE ROYAL Box Office & CC 01-836 8108. 01-240 9066/7. First Call 24hr 7 day cc bkgs on 01 240 7200 (no bkg fee). Ticketmaster 01 379 6433 (no bkg fee) David Merrick's 42ND STREET A SHOW FOR ALL THE FAMILY Winner of all the best Musical Awards for 1984 voted BEST MUSICAL STANDARD DRAMA AWARDS voted BEST MUSICAL LAURENCE OLIVIER AWARD voted BEST MUSICAL PLAYS & PLAYERS LONDON THEATRE CRITICS AWARD Evgs 8.0 Mats Wed 3.0, Sat 5.0 & 8.30 Reduced price mat Weds. Students and OAP's standby. Group Sales 930 6123 BOOK NOW FOR XMAS Special matinee Dec 26 3pm

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GREENWICH THEATRE 01-858 7755 First Call cc 24hrs 240 7200 (bkg fee). Eves 7.45. Mats Sat 2.30 FOR KING AND COUNTRY by John Wilson. "Remains as valid as ever" Times. From Oct 15 UNDER MILK WOOD by Dylan Thomas

HAMPSTEAD 722 9301 Eves 8pm. Sat Mats 4.30. No perfs Oct 13 ASK FOR THE MOON by Shirley Gee. "A warm and haunting play, immaculately acted" S.Tms. "Beautifully written" Tms. EXTENDED TO OCT 18

HAYMARKET THEATRE ROYAL Box office & CC 01-930 9832. 1st Call 24hr/7 day cc bkgs 240 7200 Press from 15 Oct. Opens 21 Oct DEREK JACOBI in BREAKING the CODE by HUGH WHITEMORE Joanna David Isabel Dean Michael Gough Dir by CLIFFORD WILLIAMS

HER MAJESTY'S. Haymarket. 01-839 2244 Ticketmaster CC 379 6131 First Call CC 240 7200 ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER'S NEW MUSICAL THE PHANTOM OF THE OPERA Starring MICHAEL CRAWFORD Sarah Brightman Steve Barton Directed by HAROLD PRINCE Eves 7.45 Mats Wed & Sat 3 OPENS TONIGHT AT 7pm

LONDON PALLADIUM 437 7373. 741 9999 (no bkg fee). First Call 24 Hr 7 Day CC 240 7200 (NO BKG FEE) Grp Sales 930 6123. Ticketmaster 379 6433 THE HIT MUSICAL COMEDY GEORGE HEARN & DENIS QUILLEY LA CAGE AUX FOLLES "...A PALLADIUM ROAR OF APPROVAL" S.Tel Mon-Fri 7.30, Mats Wed 2.00 Sat 2.30 & 8.00 Sdnt concessions avail. at door Mon-Fri & Sat mats SEATS AVAILABLE FROM £7.50

LYRIC HAMMERSMITH 01-741 2311 & all tkt agents. Til 25 Oct Eves 7.45, Wed Mats 2.30, Sat Mats 4pm THE HOUSE OF BERNARDA ALBA by Lorca. With Patricia Hayes, Glenda Jackson & Joan Plowright. STUDIO: 01 741 8701. Evgs 8pm World Premiere of MASSAGE by Michael Wilcox.

LYRIC THEATRE Shaftesbury Ave W1 01-437 3686/7 01-434 1550, 01-434 1050. 01-734 5166/7 COLIN BLAKELY "A brilliant & joyously comic performance" F Times in The National Theatre's acclaimed production of ALAN AYCKBOURN'S A CHORUS OF DISAPPROVAL "Heartbreakingly funny" Gdn "Hilarious..." S. Times "A rare evening of comic exhilaration" Times Eves 7.30. Mats Wed and Sat 3.0. Group Sales 01-930 6123. Reduced price mats Student & OAP Stand-by FIRST CALL 24HR 7 DAY CC BOOKINGS ON 01 240 7200 (NO BOOKING FEE) WINNER OF ALL THE BEST COMEDY AWARDS FOR 1985 NOW BOOKING UNTIL APRIL '87 AND FOR 5 PERFS ONLY FRANCES DE LA TOUR AS LILLIAN HELLMAN IN LILLIAN A play by William Luce, directed by Corin Redgrave Suns Oct 12, 19, 26 & Nov 2 at 4pm Mon Oct 20 at 5pm Box Office now open.

LYTTELTON 'S' 928 2252 CC (National Theatre's proscenium stage) Ton't, Tomor, Mon 7.45, Sat 2.15 (low price mat) & 7.45, Tue 2.00 (low price mat) BRIGHTON BEACH MEMOIRS by Neil Simon. Tue, Wed 7.45 THE MAGISTRATE.

MAYFAIR S CC 629 3036. Mon-Thu 8 Fri/Sat 5 40 & 8.10 RICHARD TODD in "The Best Thriller for years" S M THE BUSINESS OF MURDER "An unabashed winner" S Exp "Sensational" Times 6TH THRILLING YEAR

MERMAID 236 5568 cc 741 9999. First Call CC 240 7200 (24 hrs 7 Day) Eves 8, Sat 6 & 8.30 KAFKA'S METAMORPHOSIS staged by Steven BERKOFF "THE MOST EXCITING THEATRICAL EVENING IN THE WEST END" C.Limits. LAST 2 WEEKS!! (Pre-theatre food & drink)

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OLIVIER 'S' 928 2252 CC (National Theatre's open stage) Today 2.00 (low price mat) & 7.15 PRAVDA - A Fleet Street Comedy by Howard Brenton and David Hare Tomor, Mon 7.15, Sat 2.00 (low price mat) & 7.15 JACOBOWSKY AND THE COLONEL Tue 7.15, Wed 2.00 (low price mat) & 7.00 ANIMAL FARM.

PALACE THEATRE 434 0909 CC 379 6433 Fst Call 24Hr 7Day CC 240 7200 Grp Sales 930 6123 THE MUSICAL SENSATION LES MISERABLES "IF YOU CAN'T GET A TICKET - STEAL ONE!" Std Eves 7.30 Mats Thu & Sat 2.30 Latecomers not admitted until the interval BEAT THE TOUTS BY ENQUIRING FOR RETURNS AT THE BOX OFFICE.

PARAMOUNT CITY THEATRE Gt Windmill St, W1. CC 01 437 6312/8380 Richard O'Brien creator of sensational Rocky Horror Show is back with Peter Straker in THE NEWS "Wild exuberance! Thrilling! Continually exciting" Gdn. "I enjoyed it enormously" Times. "Excellent" F.T. Nightly 9.00pm. Admission £7.50 & £5.00 Fri & Sat 6.30 & 9.00pm Special concession Fri & Sat 6.30 perfs £5.00 only

PICCADILLY 437 4506 CC 379 6565/6433 Grps 836 3962 FRANKIE HOWERD PATRICK CARGILL A FUNNY THING HAPPENED ON THE WAY TO THE FORUM "Achingly Funny" S Exp Previews from 8 Nov Opens 14 Nov

PRINCE EDWARD Box Office 734 8951 First Call 24 Hr 7 Days cc Booking 836 3464 Grp Sales 930 6123 Mon-Sat 8, Mat Thurs & Sat 3.00 CHESS "A GRAND MASTER OF A SHOW" Newsweek Now booking to March 28, 1987 MAT SEATS SOMETIMES AVAILABLE ON DAY

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SPORT

FA team up with Luton in fight against hooligans

By Stuart Jones, Football Correspondent

Luton Town's experimental scheme, which was overwhelmingly rejected by the Football League chairmen on Monday, was yesterday accepted by the Football Association. The Challenge Cup Committee announced after a meeting in London that the club who have banned away supporters will be allowed to compete in the FA Cup this season.

The decision, which includes a stipulation that any club playing at home against Luton shall also have the right to exclude visiting supporters, illustrates the wide and regrettable gap that divides the sport's two governing bodies. Two chairmen are in the uncomfortable position of sitting in the middle of it.

Three days ago Ken Bates of Chelsea and Bert McGee of Sheffield Wednesday joined 84 of their colleagues at Villa Park, where the same proposal was defeated by a margin of 80-6. Luton, resisting as stubbornly as the chairmen the temptation to bend their own rules, immediately withdrew from the Littlewoods Cup.

Bates, McGee and Smith went to Lancaster Gate yesterday, where Luton's case received, as expected, a more sympathetic hearing. Bert Millichip, the chairman of the FA, and Ted Croker, the secretary, had already stated that they were in favour of the club's individual stand against hooliganism.

The other 11 members of the committee, including Arthur McMullen, who is the vice-chairman, all represent county associations. Their view, mercifully, is more general than that of the chairmen, many of whom are outstanding only for their egotistical natures and self-centred opinions. Luton gained the support of the majority.

"We are in an extremely difficult position," Croker said, "but the overriding consideration, as far as we are concerned, has to be hooliganism. That is the one criterion on which we have to make a judgement these days and, as Luton's scheme is concerned with crowd control, we had to allow it.

"The Football League also have decisions to make but I hope that this will not cause a rift between us. The League operate their competitions without interference and I hope they give us the same privilege. It may seem that the decision is unfair to some clubs and that is why we have given them the opportunity to exclude Luton's supporters."

Richard Tracey, the Minister for Sport, was "pleased that the FA have given their consent. It is important that the scheme be tested outside League matches because only then will we be able to judge its usefulness. I am grateful to the FA for their positive approach to the fight against hooliganism."

The committee also granted Oldham and Preston permission to stage FA Cup ties on their artifical pitches. In pointing out that the ruling will apply only until the end of the season, Croker stressed that "it should not be implied that the surfaces concerned will be acceptable in the future".

Eyes on the ball: Dodds, of England, gets his pass away as Antakov tries a reverse stick tackle (Photograph: Ian Stewart)

Portugal's brave new world

Lisbon (Reuter) — Portugal's team for the European Championship group two qualifying tie against Sweden on Sunday will not include anyone who played in the World Cup finals in Mexico. Absent from the 18-man squad are such well-known names as Fernando Gomes (forward), Carlos Manuel (midfield) and Paulo Futre (winger).

Of the 22 who represented Portugal in Mexico, eight were banned from the team for their part in a strike over pay and bonuses days before the start of the World Cup finals in which Portugal failed to survive the first phase. The remaining 14 declared themselves "unavailable for selection" in solidarity with their banned Mexico teammates.

Returning to the squad after a long absence is Manuel Fernandes, the veteran captain of Sporting, who was left out of the World Cup team because of a dispute with Jose Torres, the former manager. Other former internationals in the 18 selected by Ruy Seabra, the new manager, are Mario Jorge, Sheu and Nunes.

Also returning to the squad after a long absence is Alberto, aged 30, the Belenenses defender.

SQUAD: Goalkeepers: Ze Beto, Silvino. Defenders: Costeado, Miguel, Eduardo Luis, Fernando Mendes, Alberto, Deo. Midfield players: Jaime, Paquito, Sheu, Nunes, M Jorge, Adao, Nascimento. Forwards: P Xavier, M Fernandes, Coelho.

Italy's Cup squad face tax inquiry

Rome (Reuter) — Italy's 1982 World Cup squad will soon be given back their passports, withdrawn last month during an investigation into alleged tax evasion, judicial sources said today.

All 22 players have been warned that they are under investigation over tax returns filed in 1983, regarding payments from a clothing sponsor at the World Cup finals in Spain the previous summer.

The sources said a magistrate investigating the charges would go to France in the next few days to take evidence from a representative of the French sponsor. Afterwards the players' passports would be returned, they added.

Players who are members of teams involved in European Cup competitions have had to apply to Italian courts for special permits to travel abroad for matches since the passports were withdrawn.

The squad had also faced a trial in December on charges of breaking Italy's currency laws by not converting the payment into lire within a month of returning home. But sources said recent changes in the law meant that the players were now likely to escape trial.

● ZURICH (Reuter) — Swiss first division club, FC Basle, is facing bankruptcy unless a massive cash injection is forthcoming, the interim club president, Peter Suter, said yesterday.

"Our coffers are completely empty. There is no cash flow. Our debts are around a million francs (£400,000). We need another half a million francs (£200,000) to survive till the end of the year if we are to avoid bankruptcy," he said.

Suter told a Press conference that in response to an appeal a 150,000 Swiss franc (£45,000) loan from a leading Basle bank had enabled them to pay players and officials their outstanding September salaries. The club, with three Swiss internationals in the ranks blames falling attendances for its plight.

But many in football circles attribute the crisis directly to the club splashing out substantial sums for new signings it could ill afford.

● MADRID (Reuter) — The Real Madrid defender, Antonio Maceda, whose World Cup campaign with Spain was cut short by a recurring knee injury, has undergone a third operation to try to cure the problem, a club spokesman said today.

The international, aged 29, underwent surgery yesterday on his right knee after doctors decided it had reacted badly to light training. They said afterwards he could be fit to play again before the end of the season. Maceda had his first operation last March and returned to the side in time to help them win the league championship and UEFA Cup.

Celtic get Kiev all clear

Celtic will fulfil their European Cup fixture with Dynamo Kiev in the Soviet Union on November 5 (Hugh Taylor writes). "We have been assured that there is no danger to the players following the radiation effects from the Chernobyl disaster," Jack McGinn, the Celtic chairman, said last night.

The players were told that two Bulgarian sides had played recently in Kiev and had made no complaint. "Indeed, we have received total assurances that there will be no danger," the chairman added. "The club doctor has spearheaded our investigations and he has been satisfied by the experts, who have answered all of his points."

Celtic are expected to take their own food, although they have been told that radioactivity levels in the atmosphere around Kiev were extremely low. Action to substitute the water supply with water from an uncontaminated region had been taken. The only remaining source of concern was the consumption of locally produced food.

The Russian authorities have stated that they are bringing food into the area, so they are not expected to object to Celtic bringing in their own hampers, as they did when they played Kiev in 1968.

● Jimmy Quinn, the Blackburn forward, has been called into Northern Ireland's squad for the European Championship game against England at Wembley next Wednesday.

EQUESTRIANISM

Wheeling a deal for Pyrah

By Jenny MacArthur

Malcolm Pyrah is now the proud owner of a Range Rover after winning his battle with the organizers of the Horse of the Year Show. Pyrah claimed the £16,000 car after winning the Raffles Classic on Monday night.

The dispute arose when Pyrah won a 15-horse jump-off against the clock on Towerlands Anglezarke. He assumed that entitled him to the car as the rules state the car would be awarded to "the rider who completes the first round of any two Raffles Classic competitions without incurring any faults *and* wins the Raffles Classic at the Horse of the Year Show."

But the organizers had no intention at first of awarding Pyrah the car. Raymond Brooks-Ward, the managing director of British Equestrian Promotions who organized the Show, said that the "spirit" of the rules had always been that the two clear rounds had to be jumped at qualifiers before Wembley.

Pyrah, after taking legal advice, lodged an appeal with the committee. A meeting was hastily convened yesterday and the verdict was unanimous: Pyrah had fulfilled the conditions. A member of the committee said yesterday that next year more attention would be paid to the wording of the schedule.

Meanwhile, the frenetic programme in the Wembley Arena continued with the Austin Rover stakes which was won, after a big and difficult jump-off course, by Peter Charles on Cecil Williams' Merrimandias. The Irish-bred gelding, aged nine, was one of only four horses out of the 15 in the jump-off who went clear. Charles said he thought the jump-off course, designed by Alan Oliver, was "too big for what they were jumping for" — a reference to the £300 first prize.

Later Jamie Fry rode with an experience which belied his 17 years with a well-judged clear when winning the Basildon Bond young riders championship of the year on Fallon.

The Austin Rover Stakes: 1, Merrimandias (P Charles), 0fts, in 32.44sec; 2, Samboy (P Sutton), 0, 32.92; 3, Olympic Treffer (W J van der Schans, Netherlands), 0, 34.06. Basildon Bond young riders championships: 1, Fallon (J Fry), 0, 32.80; 2, Blue Moon (P Murphy), 4, 29.75; 3, Everest Domino (M Edgar), 4, 31.04. Osborne Refrigeration riding horse of the year: Champion: Mrs S Rowe's Meridien; Reserve: Mrs R A G Douglas Miller's Longnewton Nutcracker.

England falter as Soviets hold firm

By Sydney Friskin

England	0
Soviet Union	1

England suffered their first defeat in group A of the World Cup hockey tournament at Willesden yesterday, losing some of their pride and prosperity to the Soviet Union whose solid defensive tactics carried them through a hard match. The match was similar to the one seen at the same venue last year when the Soviets scored an early goal and hung on grimly to their advantage. They did the same thing this time, except that their decisive goal was obtained midway in the second half, and, once that advantage was gained, England found their defence most difficult to break down.

England now have two tough matches to face — against a revitalized Pakistan side, on Saturday, and The Netherlands on Monday. Now, the road to the semi-finals looks much less clear.

There was an early scare for England with Taylor diving to save from Deputatov. Later, he was called upon to save from Goncharov at a short corner but after that, England held possession for long spells and continued to dominate the first half. The Soviet defence offered stubborn resistance, mainly through Beliakov, who seemed not to appreciate the scientific possibilities of the game, getting away with several intentional breaches of the law for which, England thought, heavier penalties should have been imposed.

Kerly and Batchelor, establishing a thorough understanding of one another's methods, harried and tormented the Soviet defence without much luck. But the most blatant foul by the Soviet defenders was committed in the 20th minute when Kerly's stick was held down in the circle. England's hopes of being awarded a penalty stroke were dashed when the umpire signalled only a short corner.

Two minutes before half-time, England were unlucky when Kerly, putting his stick to a centre from the left by Clift, saw the ball sail inches over the top. A short corner early in the second half also came to nothing, despite a great effort by Grimley to work the ball deep into the circle. England then seemed to be in a hurry when Potter collided with Kerly at the top of the circle and needed attention.

Sixteen minutes of the second half had gone and the Soviet goal was surprisingly still intact but, suddenly, Nechipurenko hit the ball across into the England circle to Goncharov, who turned on it and drove a hard shot past the unsighted Taylor.

England set themselves immediately to the task of reconstruction with two substitutions, Bhaura and Shaw coming on for Batchelor and Leman respectively. But, despite all their possession, England were unable to launch a controlled counter-offensive.

Finally, England made their third substitution, bringing on Hughes for Clift, but that did not do the trick.

ENGLAND: I Taylor; D Faulkner, P Barber, J Potter, R Dodds, M Grimley, S Batchelor (sub: K Bhaura), R Leman (sub: J Shaw), S Kerly, R Clift (sub: N Hughes), I Sherwani. SOVIET UNION: V Pleshakov; V Deputatov, V Beliakov, S Alexandrov, F Zigangirshov, A Goncharov, S Pleshakov, M Nechipurenko, V Antakov, A Miasnikov, M Bukatin.

Umpires: M Obaidullah (India) and D Prior (Australia).

Qasim returns in style

Pakistan played their trump card in the person of Qasim Zia, who converted three short corners in a row in the closing minutes of their group A match against New Zealand, to emerge with a 5-3 victory (Sydney Friskin writes). Qasim had been omitted from earlier games because of a hand injury.

New Zealand were inspired by Daji, who scored a brilliant goal with a reverse hit a minute before half-time. Nasir Ali, who had earlier made two saves on the line at short corners, levelled from a short corner immediately.

New Zealand regained the lead seven minutes after the resumption when Wilson converted a penalty stroke, but Hassan Sardar scrambled in a goal from a short corner soon after. Daji again put New Zealand ahead but then their defence conceded those short corners.

World Cup

Group A

PAKISTAN (1) 5, N ZEALAND (1) 3
Qasim Zia 3, Nasir Ali, Hassan Sardar — Daji 2, Wilson (pen)

ENGLAND (0) 0 USSR (0) 1
Goncharov

Group A Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
England	3	2	0	1	5	3	4
Netherlands	2	2	0	0	3	1	4
Soviet Union	3	2	0	1	2	1	4
Argentina	2	1	0	1	4	3	2
Pakistan	3	1	0	2	7	8	2
New Zealand	3	0	0	3	4	9	0

* Table does not include last night's match between Argentina and The Netherlands.

Call to support Sunday racing

By Michael Seely

General Sir Cecil Blacker, the deputy senior steward of the Jockey Club, is determined to continue to canvass support for the introduction of Sunday racing in Britain despite strong opposition from representatives of the established churches and also from Lord Brentford and the "keep Sunday special committee".

"We are going to look very closely at Sir Woodrow Wyatt's suggestion that a few experimental meetings might be staged with credit betting only. There are all kinds of difficulties and a lot of people will be up in arms at the idea, but we shall have to consider it very seriously indeed," General Blacker said.

"Don't forget that when they ran the Newmarket Town Plate on a Sunday in 1985, several thousands turned up to watch it. Then there was no betting at all. We would have to plan everything around attracting family parties with funfairs, children's play grounds and bands.

Keeping betting away from action

The difficulty about credit betting is that, to be legal, it has to take place away from the action, maybe from rows of telephone boxes outside the course."

In a general statement made after General Blacker had given his report to the committee about his meeting with leaders of the church on Monday, he said: "We will have to examine all possible avenues still open to us for achieving Sunday racing within the existing laws. It is a fact that credit betting is already permitted on Sundays.

"We are also considering what other options might be open to us, but at this stage I can only confirm that we have not given up hope. We will continue to lobby and in this context I hope that my working party's report, which is currently being finalized, will receive the widest possible debate."

Discussing the matter further, the chairman said last night: "The trouble is that we have chosen the worst possible moment to press our claims. The church are well aware that their lay supporters are now manning their defences in an attempt to preserve the sanctity of the sabbath. The Shops Bill itself acted as an early warning system and now that they have triumphed over that, we are sure to find it even tougher going.

"But, speaking for myself, I am determined not to give up. After all what a marvellous time everybody had in Paris watching Dancing Brave and Bering fighting out that tremendous finish for the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe. Every other sport is getting away with deliberately flouting the existing laws, so I don't see why we shouldn't continue to explore every avenue open to us."

General Blacker concluded by saying that although the idea of staging Sunday racing with credit betting only would have to be examined closely and all the implications considered, at the end of the day it might be the only way to show the authorities that the industry means business.

Attracting fresh blood to the sport

Having been to Phoenix Park and Paris recently, it is impossible not to realize to what extent British racing is losing out. It offers such a major opportunity both for catering to the public's leisure needs and also of generating funds for extra prize money.

It would also attract fresh blood to the sport, as an entirely different type of racegoer goes to Sunday and evening racing. This opinion was confirmed by Jonathan Irwin, the dynamic head of Phoenix Park, when discussing the matter at Goff's sales in Ireland on Tuesday.

General Blacker and his committee deserve the widest possible support as they strive to create a new market for racing and also to make our Sundays more enjoyable.

Shrewsbury's new date

Shrewsbury's second division game at Huddersfield next Tuesday has been put back a week because of the midfield player, Bernard McNally's, late call-up for the Northern Ireland squad against England at Wembley.

Gerry Daly is wanted by the Republic of Ireland against Scotland in Dublin and because Shrewsbury would have been without both players the Football League have agreed to reschedule the Huddersfield fixture for October 21.

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Higgins and Griffiths on collision course

Alex Higgins, winner in 1972 and 1982, has been drawn to meet Terry Griffiths, another former champion, in the second round of the Embassy world championship in Sheffield next April. Three times in the past Griffiths has beaten the controversial Irishman at the Crucible Theatre — twice in the second round and once in the quarter-finals.

Last season Griffiths beat Higgins 13-12, the fifth time in 10 years the Irishman had lost a world championship match by the odd frame. In the first round Higgins is scheduled to meet another Welshman, Cliff Wilson, with Jim Wych, of Canada, likely to be Griffiths's opponent.

Dennis Taylor, the 1985 world champion, is in the same half of the draw as Joe Johnson, the defending champion, with their paths expected to cross at the semi-final stage.

Johnson, who faces a possible first-round match against Eugene Hughes, now plans to cut down on his charity work to concentrate on the task in hand. He said: "I have to start saying no to many of the enquiries. It will be difficult, but I must start practising more if I am going to win matches. I need four to five hours a day, but at the moment I am lucky to get that amount in a week."

Hughes, a beaten semi-finalist in the BCE International at Stoke last week, will meet Johnson providing he wins his fourth-round qualifying match at Preston. The Preston stages will be held from March 26 to April 4, with the championship moving to Sheffield from April 18 to May 4.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Drummond on market

Des Drummond, the Leigh and Great Britain winger, has been placed on the transfer list at a fee of £100,000. Drummond has played for Leigh this season since returning from a summer spell with the Sydney club, Western Suburbs.

The fee is £20,000 less than Drummond's asking price when he was last listed six months ago. The Leigh chairman, Brian Sharples, said: "We could not meet Drummond's demands and he hasn't returned to the club as we hoped."

The club is still interested in a swap deal the for Great Britain captain, Harry Pinner, listed by St Helens at £95,000.

Meanwhile, Leeds granted a transfer request today from Brendan Hill, aged 22, their prop forward, who was a member of the Great Britain test squad last season. They have fixed a fee of £35,000 for Hill who has been at Headingley for four years since leaving Bradford junior rugby.

Usha moves up

Delhi (AP) — P. T. Usha, the "Sprint Queen" of India who won four gold medals and a silver at the recent Asian Games in South Korea, said yesterday that she would no longer be competing in 100 and 200-metre races. Instead, she will concentrate on the 400m and the 400m hurdles. Usha, aged 22, holds the Asian record in all four events.

SPORT IN BRIEF

Sporting Princess

Princess Anne yesterday called for a "balanced education" between mind and body in schools. Addressing the British Olympic Association's annual general meeting as their president, she said: "We can sometimes take for granted the involvement of schools in sport. A balanced education has to be the watchword involving both mind and body. We want the best facilities for use of the body." She added that children should have the opportunity to discover what sport they were good at.

Swap rejected

Warrington Rugby League club's offer to exchange Ian Rathbone, their second row forward valued at £45,000, for the St Helens and Great Britain captain Harry Pinner, priced at £95,000, has been rejected.

Bishop: limited options

Fives on trial

Zurich (Reuter) — The first five-a-side football tournament under the direct supervision of FIFA will take place on an experimental basis in Budapest from November 18-20. Eight teams are participating, two from Hungary and the rest from Belgium, Spain, the United States, Italy, The Netherlands and Brazil.

Bishop blow

David Bishop, banned from playing Rugby Union or League until next September, could find his sporting options further limited should he choose to take up football in Wales. The Pontypool and Wales scrum half intends to keep fit until he is able to resume playing rugby. However, Alun Evans, the secretary of the Welsh FA, said that he would be discussing with his officials whether a player banned from rugby should be allowed to register with a football club.

Rams sacked

Derby BPCC Rams have sacked two of their American players. Chuck Everson, the tallest man in English basketball at 7ft 1in, and dual-national, Kenny Chance, are returning home after a nightmare start to the season in which Derby have won only one game.